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School board names Davis as president

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In with the new and out with the old might be a good summary of Tuesday night's school board meeting.

In the first meeting of the Plymouth-Canton Schools new fiscal year, Susan Davis was elected to the post of school board president.

"I think our biggest goals are to hire a new superintendent, build a school and settle the administrators' contract," said Davis. "I also believe the board has to learn to think out of the box to come up with new ideas."

Three other elected posts were also filled: Elizabeth Givens, vice president; Judy Mardigian, secretary; Darwin Watts, treasurer.

It was the first meeting for Steve Guile and Mark Slavens, two new school board members who were elected last month.

Tuesday night's meeting was the last for Superintendent Chuck Little, who will be leaving Thursday after five years as the chief executive officer.

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Sue Davis

Soccer scores goal for freshman

The Plymouth and Canton soccer clubs will sponsor four new soccer teams at the high schools this coming year. At least 80 freshmen will be able to play on the two boys and two girls teams

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At least 80 more students will be eligible to participate in high school soccer as the Plymouth and Canton soccer clubs will sponsor four freshman teams, beginning this coming school year.

Currently, Plymouth Canton and

Plymouth Salem high schools have varsity and junior varsity teams. However, unless incoming freshmen make those squads, there is nowhere for them to play.

"We have so many young people coming to the high schools who have played for a long time, but whose first experience is being cut from the sport," David Foss of the Canton Soccer Club told trustees Tuesday night. "This way,

kids can get into high school with a positive experience."

"A lot of the other sports have freshmen teams," added Mark McGraw of the Plymouth Soccer Club. "There are kids who have played 10 years, but when they get to the high school they can't make the team because of limited numbers. It breaks the hearts of many of these kids."

The school administration will be meeting with soccer officials to put together the details of the program and funding, with the biggest factor being the addition of the teams won't cost the school district money.

"This is money we want to put back

into the community," said Foss. "We want to see the growth of soccer and provide some fun for the kids."

Canton Soccer Club president, Bob Meyerand of Canton said, while the freshman soccer program will be run by the school district, money will come through a booster club made up mainly of the families of the 80 kids who will have an opportunity to play. The boosters will be guided by the Plymouth and Canton soccer clubs.

"We're looking for a way to enhance our program and a chance for kids to play," said Meyerand. "We're very

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Art in the Park: At left, the art fair as seen through a beveled glass artwork by Judy Kinder of Flint's Clear Concept Glass. Above, Violinist Malcolm Watson, of Watson and Company, from Ojai, Calif.

Recommends poets join Art in the Park

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A "huge success" seems to be the words used most by organizers, artists, visitors and city officials when talking about the weekend's 19th annual Art in the Park.

"This is the best art fair around," said Carole Tarcea, who came to downtown Plymouth for the event from White Lake Township.

"It's because this one has arts and the crafts. Some art fairs are just too artsy. I'd rather go to one where I can afford to buy," she said.

Ron Bailey of Cinda's Patchwork said he and his wife, Cinda, had accidentally double-booked this weekend for selling their pottery. Cinda went

to an arts fair in Cleveland and he came to Plymouth for the second year in a row. Bailey's booth was located on Main Street, just north of Wing Street. The event drew 400 artists from 34 states.

"This is a good show; we couldn't give this one up," the Indiana resident said.

The weather cooperated for the two-day event, producing record breaking crowds, said organizer Diane Quinn. An estimated 100,000 people were in downtown Plymouth.

"There were more people downtown than we ever had before. It was totally record breaking," she said.

One of only a few problems reported was crowd control in high traffic areas, such as Main and Church street. The new garden art center on

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Was there a rhyme or reason to ban poets?

BY VALERIE OLANDER
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Plymouth's "poet in residence" is feeling censored after he was banned from the line-up of main-stage performances at the 19th annual Art in the Park. Resident Rod Reinhart claims there is no rhyme or reason for doing so.

Meanwhile, the organizer and an artist participating in the two-day festival said the Plymouth Poets' noon reading Saturday on Penniman

Street wasn't poetry to their ears. "It wasn't appropriate for a family-oriented art fair. I'm glad my kids weren't there," said Nina Cameron, a Novi artist, who was selling her ceramic tiles just a booth or two away.

Organizer Diane Quinn said she stopped the Plymouth Poets' Kellogg Park performance later the same day after receiving several similar reports.

"I thought it was questionable sub-

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Coca-Cola wins Cultural Center contract

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The name won't change to the Coca-Cola Plymouth Cultural Center. However, for the next five years the recreation headquarters will exclusively sell Coca-Cola products in vending machines.

Along with giving the city a percentage from vending machine sales, Coke will hand over \$10,000 to buy a new (Coke) scoreboard for the hockey rink.

■ Along with giving the city a percentage from vending machine sales, Coke will hand over \$10,000 to buy a new (Coke) scoreboard for the hockey rink.

The city commission approved the contract with Coke at its July 5 meeting.

"We've been filling the machines with Coke products ourselves, but the contract calls for Coke to now take care of them," said Assistant City Manager

Paul Sincok. "We'll make a lower percentage, but we also won't have the expense of hiring someone to fill the vending machines and take care of inventory."

In a memo to City Manager David Rich, Sincok reports the current revenue from vending machines at the Cultural Center is \$9,800.

"Once the employee and inventory stocking costs are deducted from the revenue, we anticipate that our actual net cash will be approximately \$7,500 to \$7,800 annually."

Sincok said Pepsi proposed a better commission rate on non-carbonated beverages; however, Coke produced a better percentage on carbonated drinks, which are the best sellers.

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CSX, Walters firing, hiked legal expenses

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As Plymouth city commissioners battle over runaway costs of their law firm, City Manager David Rich said the battle over rising lawyer fees isn't a new one.

In fact, Rich noted it was a problem he addressed with former Mayor Don Dismuke last February.

"When I was first hired, I put the retainer agreement idea to Don

because I saw the costs going up," said Rich. "I brought it up to the commissioners and talked about it at length during our budget discussions in March. This isn't a new issue."

"The good thing is that we're moving forward and fixing the problem."

After a battle with city commissioners during the July 5 meeting over a negotiated settlement concerning fees with the city's law firm of Plunkett & Cooney, Mayor Joe Koch the next day

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Teens showcase bands in all-day park concert

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What started out as just a fun idea has turned into reality as an all-day concert in Kellogg Park. The Sunday event, planned for teens by teens, is a chance for bands to showcase their music and give young people something to do.

"The idea began as a few bands playing on top of the parking structure downtown," said Matthew Penn, 17, of Plymouth. "By the time we got done

with putting it together, it grew and we moved it to Kellogg Park."

Teens in the community have long complained of having nowhere to go and nothing to do. And, it's not unusual for parents to just drop their kids off in downtown Plymouth to just walk around.

"Kids in the area don't have any-

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Dollmaker dresses up retirement

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Mary Nalepka, who retires from her position as Deputy Township Clerk at the end of this month, loves to play with dolls.

In fact, she makes them. Her doll-making hobby is just one activity she will pursue after retirement.

A Brighton resident for 11 years and Plymouth Township resident for 22 years prior to that, she worked for the township clerk's department seven years. Nalepka's first job in the township was in the treasurer's office 14 years ago.

"I'm involved in reproduction of porcelain dolls," Nalepka said. "These are antique dolls that I do that I dress in period (clothing)."

Nalepka uses antique molds, sewing clothes for the dolls that she gives away to her friends and family.

Nalepka started taking doll-making classes in 1984 from Pam DeBenedet, who has a shop in Old Village.

"She always encouraged her students to enter competitions," Nalepka said. "The Michigan State Fair was one of her favorites. I have not entered for a few years now. It's fun to see if you can win a blue ribbon. In 1985 and 1986, I entered a lot of

competitions."

Doll-making is popular in South Dakota where Nalepka was raised. "I researched my first doll so that she would be a Sioux doll," Nalepka said. "I have a bit of Sioux in me." Nalepka had a paternal great-grandmother named Anna Pankake who was a full-blooded Sioux.

One doll wears clothes that Nalepka and her mother made for her daughter, Nancy, to wear when she was about 22-24 months.

"So far I have made 66 dolls," Nalepka said. She exchanges dolls with her sister who makes modern dolls. Each doll takes about a year to complete, she said.

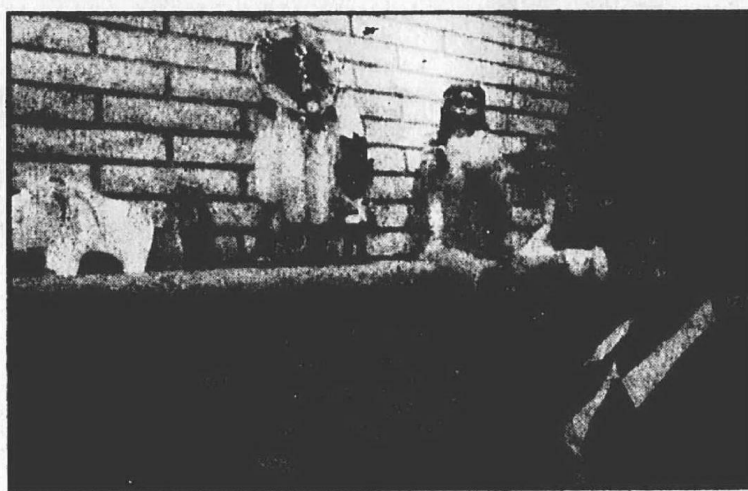
"I've made Campbell Kid dolls and a French doll," she said.

Nalepka has made a Santa Doll and a Patsy doll. There's a Shirley Temple doll, a clothespin doll, African American dolls and a doll made from nylons.

She's made dolls that look like a reproduction of her son, Daniel, and his wife. One 17-inch doll's dress was made to look like her daughter-in-law's wedding dress with a replica of her veil.

Nalepka has also done oil painting and sculpture.

During her retirement, Nalepka hopes to travel to South Dakota, her native state, where



Off the shelf: Mary Nalepka will retire as Plymouth Township Deputy Clerk at the end of this month to enjoy her hobby - making dolls.

much of her family still resides.

Nalepka initiated the township employee Halloween contest. One year she suggested a contest for employees to guess when all the snow was going to melt in the township hall parking lot.

"I'm a firm believer that if you are going to be in a workplace, there has to be compatibility and friendship," Nalepka said. "You have to lighten up. It sets a nice tone for their community."

Nalepka stresses how important the image of non-management employees lend to an insti-

tuition or place of employment. "The community sees the assistants first before they see the boss," she said.

Nevertheless, Nalepka said that it is time to move on. "I have to move on to another plane," Nalepka said. "I live on a lake and I want to enjoy it. Life is what you make it," Nalepka said. "Don't let anyone make it for you."

An open house for Nalepka, a 14-year township employee, will be held from 12-3 p.m. July 22 at town hall.

Township man arrested for gas station robbery

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A toy revolver, a knife and \$228 cash were recovered from a pickup truck Sunday after its driver was arrested in the holdup of a Livonia gas station.

Robert Alan Reuther, 41, was arrested by Livonia officers along eastbound I-96 near Telegraph just before 4 p.m. Sunday, minutes after a man threatened a clerk at the Total station on Plymouth Road and Farmington Road and took an estimated \$200, according to a Livonia Police Department report. No one was hurt in the robbery.

Reuther of Plymouth Township was arraigned on one count of armed robbery Monday in 16th District Court. He stood mute to the charge, and Magistrate Dennis Epler entered a not-guilty plea for him.

Reuther was being held in the Wayne County Jail Tuesday on a \$25,000 cash or surety bond. He is due back in district court Thursday, July 22, for a preliminary hearing.

Police say Reuther and a 37-year-old woman were seen heading east on I-96 in a burgundy Ford pickup truck at

high speed shortly after the holdup. Three officers in two different patrol cars followed them and made the stop.

The clerk at the Total station told police a man came in about 3:30 p.m., walked to the cash register and set a pistol and a knife on the counter. He said, "I am not kidding here. Give me all of your money," according to a police report.

The woman gave him money from the register, and the man put the money in a pants pocket, picked up the gun and knife and left, the clerk said.

The clerk followed him out, yelling that the station had been robbed, then called police. A man outside told police he saw the robber get into a burgundy pickup, possibly a Ford, and drive south on Farmington.

The holdup was caught on videotape, police said.

Reuther's companion, also of Plymouth Township, was arrested, but was released after the Wayne County prosecutor's office denied a warrant recommendation for her.

The toy pistol and the knife, with an 8 1/2-inch blade, were under the truck's seat, police said. The cash was found hidden in the cushioning of the seat.

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July 26 - "Little Rascals"

Aug. 2 - "Flipper"
Aug. 9 - "Napoleon"
Aug. 16 - "Fly Away Home"

SPECIAL EVENTS
A variety of children's special events will be held this summer at 1:30 p.m. Thursdays at the Plymouth Cultural Center. The line-up includes:
July 15 - Marc Thomas, ventriloquist and magician
July 22 - Zeemo, the Yo-Yo Man
July 29 - Ben Spitzer, juggler and magician

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, July 27, 1999 at 7:00 P.M. in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, as a part of its regular meeting.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to consider a request by Spring Engineering & Mfg. Corp. for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for real and personal property on a new facility to be located at 7820 Lilley Road within the Northeast Canton Industrial Development District, the legal description of which is as follows:

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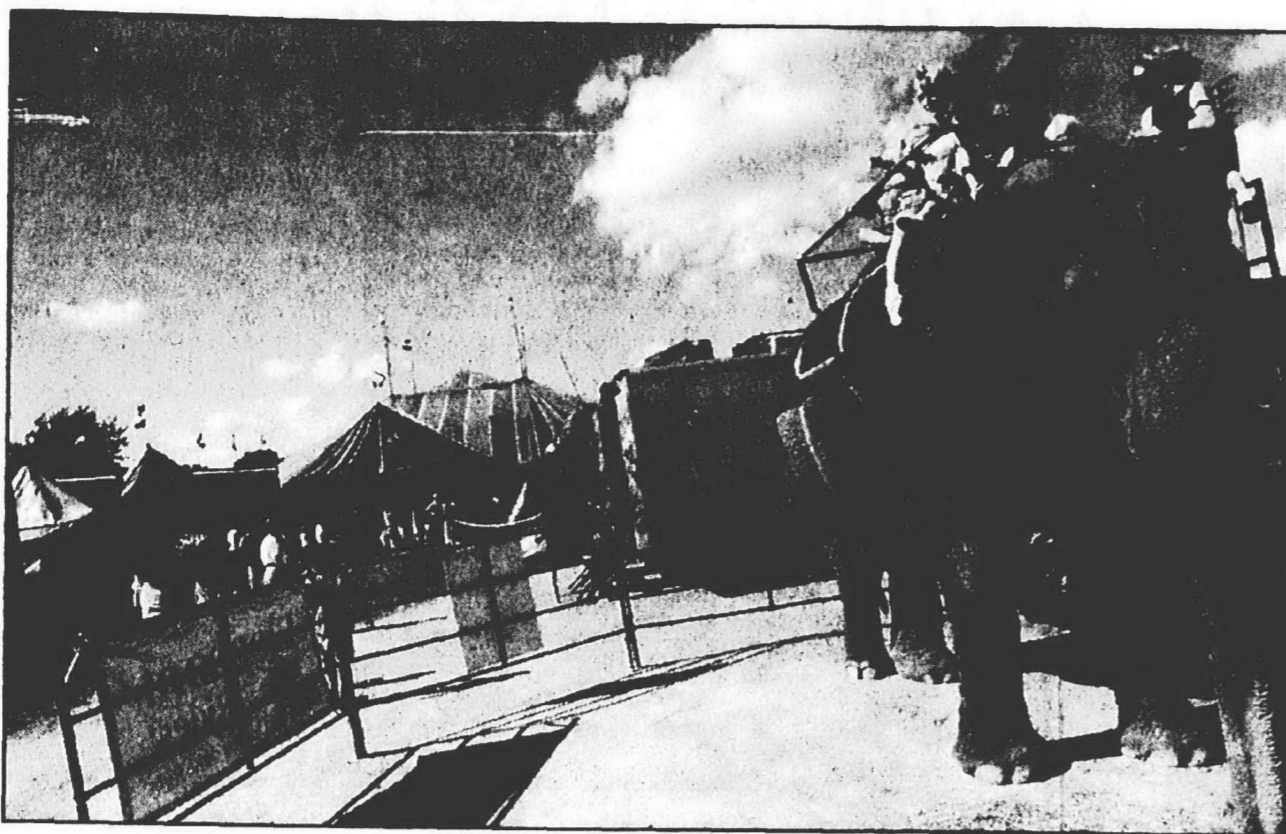
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Circus Joins Art in the Park



Elephant rides: Misty Seibert of Canton and daughters Emily 4, and Alyssa, 2, sit atop an elephant while Pam Moorman of Livonia and son David, 2, and Heather Ruhala of Plymouth and son Patrick, 2, wait to climb aboard for a short ride at the Kelly Miller Circus.



Fun for all: At left, Veronica Donet of Berkley sells jewelry, handbags and mobiles. Above, Chuck Kovalik, 12, of Canton wins the Plymouth Observer's pie eating contest.

What a view: Shannon Ryan of Commerce Township, 2, gets a better view of things from dad Tom's shoulders along Main Street during the 19th annual Art in the Park.



For kids too: Bonnie Bell and Smiggins the clown tie balloon animals for children in Kellogg Park during Art in the Park on Saturday.

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the front lawn of Central Middle School resulted in a mass of people blocking traffic on Church. Volunteers stepped in to direct traffic.

"I'm going to get together with the DPW and police to work something out for next year," said Quinn.

Retailers seemed to have little complaints. Some voiced concerns last year about their businesses being blocked from view because the booths were positioned too close together with the back of the tents facing storefronts. Clutter from the back of

the booths spilled over onto the sidewalk in front of their shops, merchants said.

However, Quinn said the committee worked hard to leave space between vendors for store visibility. So far, the feedback has been positive from retailers. "It was one of my main concerns. We're working with them," she said.

"The ice festival is the busiest time for us," said Debra Eaves of Memory Lane Antiques on Main Street. "This is the next."

"We stayed open until 9 or 10 p.m. We close whenever the traf-

fic closes us," she said.

Assistant City Manager Paul Sincoc said Art in the Park is the largest two-day festival the city has. He estimated 100,000 people attended the arts fair over the weekend.

"We judge it by how far the parking goes out. We know people parked at Hough Park and near Burroughs and Hartsough," he said.

Quinn added, "One of the most popular comments I heard all weekend was, 'this is the best show ever.'"

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ject matter for that area. The Kellogg Park area is considered the kids' area," she said.

But Reinhart claimed "there was no profanity. As far as I could see everything was quite proper. No one (in the crowd) seemed to be unhappy." The only complaint he received was from a merchant who said the loud-speaker was too loud. Reinhart turned down the volume.

"All I know is we've been censored," said Reinhart, who kicked off the Plymouth Poets seventh summer celebration of poetry earlier this month at The Coffee Bean Co.

It also would have been the fourth year the Plymouth Poets recited prose at Art in the Park.

The line-up of poets included a Native American folksinger who did a song about Gov. John Engler's environmental policy; a black woman who recited religious prose; a seven-year-old girl who talked about school; a 15-year-old girl who was anxious about the next century; and Reinhart, who emphasized an

'Why wouldn't I want to support every kind of art there is? One year the Plymouth Poets wrote a poem that we put on the back of our T-shirts.'

*Diane Quinn
festival organizer*

anti-drug message.

"One line in the Native American folksinger's song to John Engler said 'a kick in the rear will do you good,' but I told him to change it to 'kick in the back'. That was the only thing I saw as inappropriate."

However, Cameron said the folksinger had a lot of political gripes and was "cussing most of the time." She also was offended by the 15 year old's prose about "puking her guts out."

"I'm an artist. I'm very liberal-minded," said Cameron. "It just

wasn't the right venue."

However, Reinhart said the banning of the Plymouth Poets "isn't just a little tiny incident. This is something quite serious." He claims it may have violated his First Amendment rights and the civil rights of his performers. He wants an apology.

But Quinn questioned why she would arbitrarily ban the poets from Art in the Park without reason.

"Why wouldn't I want to support every kind of art there is? One year the Plymouth Poets wrote a poem that we put on the back of our T-shirts."

"We just want to keep performances in Kellogg Park light-hearted," she added.

The Plymouth Poets is part of the statewide organization Poets in Residence, which is sponsored by the Detroit Public Library and also receives money from the state Council of the Arts. The Plymouth Poets main sponsor is the Plymouth Public Library, Reinhart said.

COP CALLS

Sting turns up empty

No businesses were cited for selling to minors during the annual "sting" enforcement May 28, police said.

The list of 13 businesses included party stores and drug stores but not restaurants that serve alcoholic beverages, said Jamie Senkbeil, Plymouth Township community resource officers. This compared to one business that was cited last year, she

said. "We use underage people who are going through the police academy," Senkbeil said.

Though businesses had a clean slate, teens continue to obtain beer and alcohol, she said.

"Someone is buying it for them," Senkbeil said.

Police found a boy, 13, laying face down in the grass about 2:40 p.m. July 5 at Whittlesey Lake and Rockledge, a police

report said.

A police officer observed one-fifth of Bacardi Rum, one-fifth of Canadian Club Whiskey, two packs of cigars and five butane lighters. He was treated by Huron Valley Ambulance and released to his mother, with a minor in possession citation, police said.

The boy told police he had nothing to drink, the report said.

By staff writer Sue Buck

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enthusied about being involved and helping the kids in the community. This is the type of things the soccer club should be doing."

Meyerand said it will cost between \$11,000 and \$14,000 for two boys teams in the fall and two girls teams in the spring. The Canton Soccer Club will supply the money for the

start-up, with fund-raising to pay back the club and continue the program in the future.

"We're very confident in our ability to raise money to keep the program going," he said. "Raising money for soccer is something we're accustomed to doing."

The freshmen teams will have 20 students each and will not be

a pay-to-play sport, Meyerand said. When a third high school is constructed, Meyerand said the soccer clubs are prepared to pay for two additional freshman teams.

"I think this is a wonderful proposal," said Trustee Judy Mardigan. "This will provide a lot of opportunity for kids to play soccer at the high schools."



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Plymouth teen attends youth leadership forum

Andrew Powers of Plymouth participated in the 1999 National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine from July 4-14 in Philadelphia.

Powers, a recent graduate of Plymouth Christian Academy, was among a select group of outstanding high school juniors and seniors from across America and around the world who have met the qualifications required to participate in the forum. He was selected because of his outstanding academic achievements and his interest in the profession of medicine.

Powers participated in 11 days of discovery and mentor-



Andrew Powers ship at some of America's most prominent and techno-

logically-advanced medical institutions.

The students also visited prestigious medical establishments including Jefferson Medical College, Temple University School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, the Philadelphia VA Medical Center, Fox Chase Cancer Center and the Philadelphia College of Physicians. Intensive day-long concentrations at these and other institutions will allow students to examine state-of-the-art diagnostic tools and future medical specialties in detail.

Growth Works tees off to raise funds for youth

Growth Works will hold its first golf outing on Monday, July 26, at Pheasant Run Golf Club in Canton. The outing is being put together by Growth Works' local supporters to help raise money for the agency, which provides delinquency and substance abuse services to local youth.

A banquet will follow a day of golf. Golfers will receive a golf shirt as a tee gift and lunch. Major event sponsors are Central Distributors, Budweiser and EGH Construction. Local businesses are supporting the effort by donating prizes, which include a night's stay at the new Hilton Garden Inn and an official sweater from the 1999 U.S. Open at Pinehurst, donated by Ameritech.

The outing is being planned by a committee that represents a broad cross section of the agency's support in the community.

It is chaired by Bill Ventola, who works for Central Distributing. Central is a major distributor of Budweiser products in the Detroit area.

"I was approached about helping Growth Works to do a golf outing by one of my colleagues whose son successfully completed the Growth Works Intensive Outpatient Program," said Ventola. "Central and Budweiser, one of the outing's sponsors, support Growth Works efforts."

In the spirit of the agency's services, the outing will only serve soft drinks. No alcohol will be served.

Other committee members include Dick Bachman, People State Bank; Jim Lafferty, MIRPS Lanier; Kirk Kohn, Finlan Insurance Agency; Lt. Pat Nemechek, Canton Public Safety; Bill Bailey, Central Distributors; John Zech, city manager,

city of Wayne; Dale Jurcisin, Assistant Wayne County Executive; Don Morgan, local attorney and Growth Works' board president; Jan Raison, social worker and former Growth Works Board Member; Chuck Skene, The Community Crier, and Connie Space, Growth Works.

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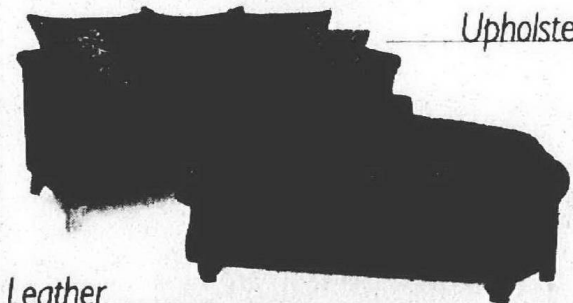
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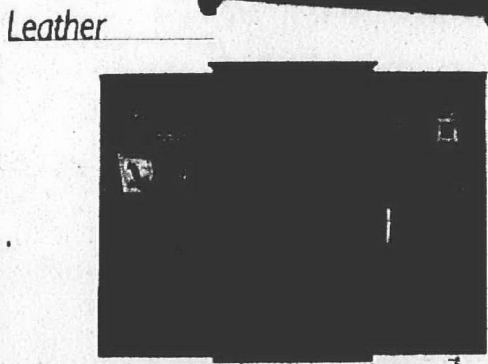
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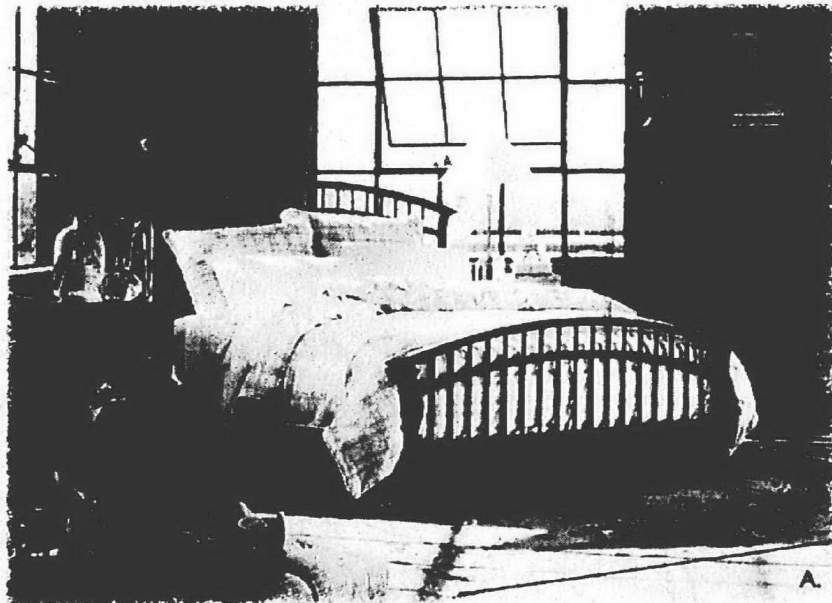
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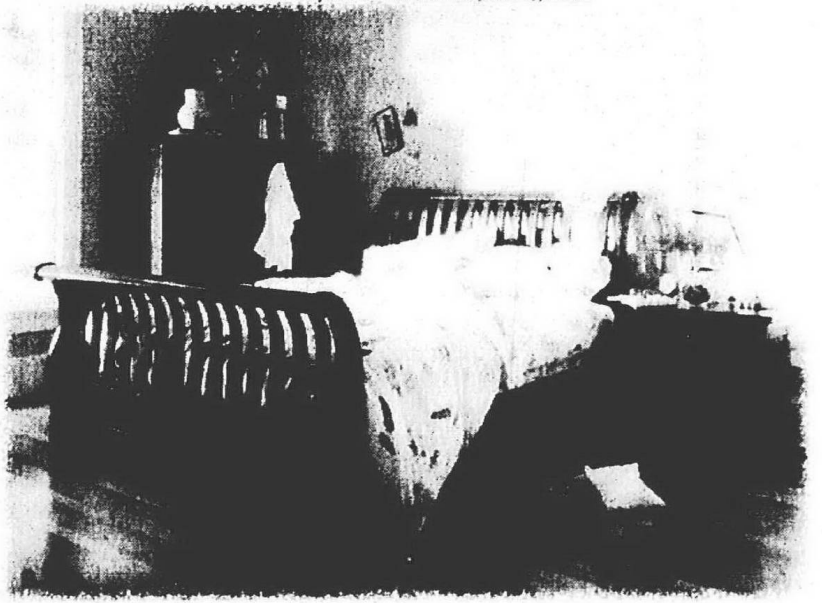
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Hearing brings out anxieties about Social Security

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM
STAFF WRITER

Will Social Security remain strong enough to help today's 20-somethings when they hit their golden years? Or will the combined weight of increased life expectancies, an expected crop of 77 million aging baby boomers cashing their checks, and a shrinking contributor pool crush the system?

Those were just some of the issues debated Wednesday at a Social Security forum sponsored by U.S. Rep. Joe Knollenberg, R-Bloomfield Township. The forum, held at the Livonia Civic Library, drew 165 people, mostly senior citizens.

Joining Knollenberg in a roundtable discussion were James Martin, regional commissioner for the Social Security Administration's Chicago district and William Hartsock, Farmington city councilman and financial consultant and CPA with the investment firm Paine Webber.

Following the roundtable discussion, the audience was given its chance to respond. The demand for answers was so great the presentation extended a half hour beyond its scheduled time.

"I must tell you I'm committed to ensuring (Social Security) remains viable," Knollenberg said. Ways to do that include "locking away" 100 percent of the funds to keep them from being borrowed to cover other programs, keeping current recipients' payments stable, keeping taxpayer payments at a stable rate and providing younger individuals with other savings options.

"I support giving younger individuals the right to invest (Social



U.S. Rep. Joseph Knollenberg

Security) in private savings accounts," Knollenberg said. "I believe Congress and the President (Bill Clinton) should take steps to encourage people to save for retirement."

But several audience members pointed out saving money is easier said than done, particularly for younger people.

Livonia residents Helen and David Erdody, both of retirement age, said things are harder for their children than they were for them.

"I have no concerns for us," Helen said, referring to Social Security. "It's our children I'm worried about."

While raising their children decades ago, the family survived on a one-income paycheck. One of their children is attempting to raise a family the same way, but is having difficulties.

"It's hard raising three little ones on one paycheck," she said.

Social Security facts

■ More than 9 out of 10 older Americans get Social Security benefit payments each month and only 11 percent live in poverty. Without Social Security, nearly half of older Americans would live in poverty.

■ 7.5 million people get monthly survivors benefits and more than 6 million workers and family members get disability benefits.

■ In 1946, 8 percent of the population were age 65 or older. In 1998, that figure reached 13 percent. In 2030, an estimated 20 percent will be 65 or older.

■ 76 million baby boomers will begin retiring in 2010 and the number of workers paying into Social Security will drop from 3.3 to 2 for each beneficiary.

■ Social Security is currently taking in more in taxes than it is paying out in benefits. Benefit payments will begin to exceed taxes paid in 2013, and the trust funds will be exhausted in 2032. At that time, Social Security will be able to pay only about 3/4 of the benefits owed if no changes are made.

Source: Social Security Administration

to \$7,773, according to information distributed by Paine Webber.

Despite the grim Social Security statistics he heard, David Erdody said he's confident Social Security will remain intact, even for today's young adults.

"We will find a way to make it work," he said. "We have to think positive."

Judy Evenson, a Farmington Hills resident and a baby boomer approaching retirement age, said she too was concerned about

Social Security's long term solvency.

"I'm about 10 years from collecting (Social Security) and I'm concerned about it being there for my children," she said, adding she's watched her children struggle to make ends meet, let alone set money aside for a nest egg.

Martin said today's taxpayers are paying for tomorrow's retirees.

"Taxes paid by America's workers and employees are basi-

cally being used to pay benefits for today's retirees," Martin said. "We believe the time to act is now and use today's prosperity to meet tomorrow's challenges."

Martin also said people have misconceptions about who benefits from Social Security.

"Younger people need to think of Social Security as a family protection plan," he said, adding that one-third of all recipients

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put out a request for proposals, seeking a new law firm to represent the city.

Rich has published the request for proposals in local newspapers and hopes to have several responses by Aug. 6.

Commissioners are unhappy the 1998-99 fiscal year's bill for attorney fees will reach \$170,000, for a municipality which has been averaging \$58,000 a year in lawyer costs.

City fathers want to get back to a retainer fee structure, in which certain services from the law firm are included as part of a monthly fee. The biggest problem with the contract with Plun-

kett & Cooney, according to city officials, is everything is billed a la carte.

Rich said the city has a three-year contract with Plunkett & Cooney, but the charter allows for the city to break it any time without penalty.

The charter also gives the mayor responsibility for choosing an attorney to represent the city. The person or firm must be approved by the city commission.

While the city is spending \$112,000 more than the average it usually budgets for legal representation, some of the special projects Plunkett & Cooney handled in the past year would not

have been under a retainer clause in any firm's agreement, Rich said.

Rich points to the lawsuit filed against the city by CSX Railroad, which has cost nearly \$50,000. The agreement that resulted in Steve Walters losing his job as city manager cost another \$10,000 in legal fees. And, last summer's incident involving then-mayor Dismuke's alleged advances toward a female police dispatcher cost the city another \$5,000.

"The best way to keep the costs down is to avoid those legal snafus," said Rich.

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where to go, and some even cause problems" said Penn. "Most of the kids don't have jobs, and they don't have any money to patronize the stores. So, all they do is walk around."

The Salem High School graduate is hoping to change some of that with his Plymouth Youth Music Festival. The day will feature nine bands with various kinds of music ... from folk to punk rock ... playing from 1 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in Kellogg Park.

"By organizing this music festival, we're hoping to get the

kids in the community together and give them something to do," he added. "Hopefully it will instill some respect for the community, and let them know the city isn't always out to get them."

"Maybe this will even show the community that when a group of kids get together they're not always destructive," he said.

Penn is a singer in his own band called Kyusei, which he says is Japanese for astrology. He classifies his band's music as hard core rock, and plans to be part of the entertainment.

Bill Ballard of Canton is looking forward to his band, One Last Hope, playing in Kellogg Park.

"We usually play in small clubs in Westland, but never in Plymouth because there's no place to play," said Ballard, 18. "I think this will give the people of Plymouth a chance to see what kids do with their time."

"Right now, all we have is Main Street and the coffee shops on weekends," added Ballard. "Then the cops start harassing us if we're standing around."

Coke from page A1

"The contract calls for Coke to have vending machines at the rec center," said Sincok. "We're also looking to put vending machines at other city locations, such as City Hall, The Gathering, Massey Field and the Municipal Services yard. That would further enhance our recreation revenues."

While the proposals from Pepsi and Coke were somewhat similar, the new scoreboard was the key in commissioners awarding Coca-Cola the bid.

Sincok notes the offer by Coke "exceeds the rates that are currently being offered to other arenas."

And more than Pepsi was ready to offer.

"We offered 30 percent commission. That was a bit high, but we wanted the account," said Steve Honorowski, Pepsi sales representative. "With the \$10,000 outlay for a scoreboard, it's obvious Coke just wanted to make friends and not money."

Davis from page A1

cer of the district. "Chuck has given us a lot of insight into many situations ... the time invested by him has been tremendous," said Patrick O'Donnell, assistant superintendent for instruction. "Good luck on your new job."

"I leave here with a lot of new

friends," said Little, who is leaving for positions at Indiana University. "I've enjoyed my time here ... and I think the district will continue to be very successful."

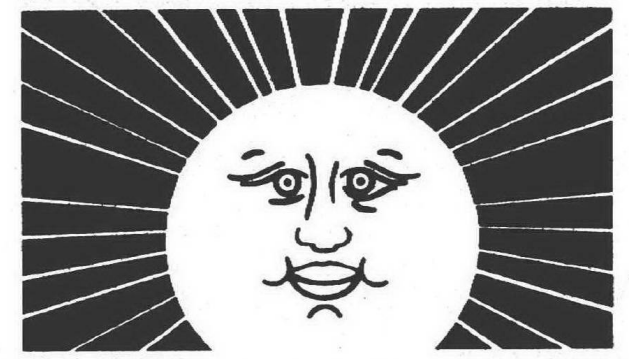
Trustees also approved a contract for interim superintendent

Ken Walcott, who began his job this week.

The contract is a six-month deal for \$10,000 a month, the same salary paid to Little.

The district is hoping to have a permanent superintendent in place by January.

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Strom is new Schoolcraft president

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Carol Strom fits in well with Schoolcraft College's strategy to promote the college to the K-12 districts.

With 16 years experience on the Livonia school board spanning the late 1970s through the early 1990s, Strom learned all about that district's K-12 system. Today Strom can apply that knowledge and experience as the new chair of the Schoolcraft College Board of Trustees.

On Monday, Strom was chosen by trustees, 7-0, to her new position. Other officers chosen were Mary Breen, vice chair; Dick DeVries, treasurer; and Brian Broderick, secretary.

Patricia Watson, who chaired the board since 1995, said Strom has demonstrated leadership skills and abilities as the board's vice chair. Strom brings 16 years experience on the Livonia school board and two terms on the Schoolcraft board to her leadership post.

"The college will be in good hands with the number of years of experience she has with the K-



Schoolcraft president: Carol Strom

12 schools in Livonia," Watson said. Watson and trustee Greg Stempien, who were both elected to six-year terms on the board in June, had indicated during their campaigns they wanted to increase the college's presence and contact with the K-12 districts in the college district.

That district includes Clarenceville, Garden City, Livonia, Northville, Plymouth-Canton and part of Novi school districts. Trustees do not receive compensation.

Watson had indicated that she would not seek the chair.

"I thought it would be a good time to allow other board members to become an officer," Watson said.

Strom wants to look to improve services to students and provide courses that they need, but doesn't look for drastic changes in the college's educational mission.

"We need to make sure students feel that the campus is friendly and that they are welcome to come back," Strom said.

Strom also believes state funding remains the biggest issue facing the college. "The president (Dick McDowell) does a good job in letting our lawmakers know about our needs," Strom said. "He's given testimony several times before legislative committees. I'd like to see financing for the new technical center we'd like to build."

Strom first joined the Schoolcraft Board of Trustees in January 1995 when she was appointed to serve on a vacant seat. Strom ran and won election in June of that year to complete the unexpired two-year term, then ran again and won re-election to a six-year term in 1997.

Strom is a co-owner of Apple Wreath, a gift and antique shop in Livonia. Strom has a bachelor of science degree in education from the University of Michigan and completed graduate work at the University of Michigan and Wayne State University.

Strom has served as a delegate to the Michigan Community College Association. In June a regional conference with the MCCA was held in Traverse City. A popular topic of discussion was improving relationships between community colleges and K-12 districts, Strom said.

"That is a trend nationally," Strom said.

The board is expected to schedule workshops or study sessions for this fall for trustees to discuss issues facing the college.

Engler wants tax credit extended

Apprenticeships (a common method of job training a century ago) may become a preferred method of training again in Michigan in the coming century.

Tax credits worth \$2,000, originally the brainchild of state Sen. Mike Rogers, R-Brighton, for businesses that provide apprenticeships to high school students are set to expire at the end of this year.

But Gov. John Engler is calling for the credit to be extended. And he said the extension should be coupled with "an aggressive marketing program" through the state's new Department of Career Development to encourage employers to use the program.

Since the program took effect in 1997, "it's fallen short of expectations," Engler said. "In the first two years, only 463 students participated in apprenticeships offered by 253 Michigan companies."

The credit is available to businesses which sponsor a high school student in a formal apprenticeship registered with the U.S. Department of Labor. The employer may claim 50 percent of the wages paid over the course of the year and 100 percent of costs for classroom instruction if the student takes college-level courses while enrolled in high school.

The extension would be part of an effort by the governor to address labor shortages.

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are not retired. Other beneficiaries include spouses and family members of deceased recipients and people receiving disability payments.

Redford resident Rhea Hughes said she enjoyed the sometimes heated debate.

"I've enjoyed listening to other people's viewpoints," she said. She said she came because she was concerned about Social

Security running out for people who need it.

"I thought it would be of interest," she said.

Farmington Hills resident Bob Cenknor said he attended the forum to "get a few things off (his) chest."

"Too many people think government should take care of all needs from cradle to grave," he said.

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Legislator proposes reining in some local ordinances

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It's a question of fairness to businesses, according to state Rep. Robert Gosselin, R-Troy. He doesn't want a firm to move into a Michigan community only to find out that some obscure local ordinance would restrict, hamper or even outright ban the enterprise.

He says his proposed "regulatory responsibility" legislation, House Bill 4777, would not overrule land use or zoning rules made by municipalities. Rather, he contends, he is simply attempting to restore the traditional division between the regulatory authority of cities and the state.

"The tradition in Michigan is home rule," responded Dan Gilmartin, director of state and federal Affairs for the Michigan Municipal League. He is concerned that, as written, the bill could prohibit residents from adopting rules in their own towns regarding the way businesses operate.

Examples of the types of ordinances that might fall by the wayside, according to Gilmartin, are restrictions on home businesses and local wetlands regulations, laws that are common among Michigan communities.

The two are scheduled to meet late this week to see, if they can iron out their differences. Gosselin said he would like to have the support of the Michigan Municipal League when the bill comes up for consideration in the House this fall. He said he is willing to make adjustments to the proposal in order to get the Municipal League's agreement.

Gilmartin, too, said he will enter the discussions with "an open mind." But it is likely to be a tough sell.

"Our concern is its impact on home rule. We feel strongly it is best to make the decisions about how a community should be run closer to home. It is best for the community to make those decisions, rather than a one-size-fits-all approach by the state," Gilmartin said.

"It is clear that firms looking to locate in Michigan will be repelled by a patchwork of competing regulatory schemes," Gosselin said. "All the tax cuts and state regulatory reform will be for naught if business shuns Michigan as a 'Bosnia' of compet-

ing, overlapping and duplicative regulations."

Gosselin said his bill would take nothing away from local governments, just prevent them from passing ordinances on subjects traditionally covered by the state.

"I'm not trying to intrude on their authority. I'm just trying to define what is the area for local regulation and what is traditionally the jurisdiction of the state,"

Gosselin said. "We wouldn't allow a city to, say, adopt the death penalty. That's a decision for the state."

The representative cited two local ordinances he believes crossed the line from a local responsibility into the jurisdiction of the state government - Marquette's recent total ban of smoking in restaurants and "living wage" ordinances approved in Detroit and Ypsilanti. In

Detroit, voters approved a proposal in 1998 to require businesses to pay a wage of \$8.27 per hour with health benefits or \$10.33 per hour without.

"There are some 1,800 local units of government in Michigan," Gilmartin said. "Which means there are about 1,798 that didn't adopt ordinances that are so offensive to business," Gilmartin said.

As introduced, House Bill 4777

states that, "A local unit of government shall not enact an ordinance ... that ... regulates in any manner subject matter that is described by state or federal law (or) duplicates, extends, revises, or regulates in any manner the provisions or subject matter of a state or federal law."

That's a broad sweep, according to Gilmartin and could have an impact on any number of local ordinances. One example

involves wetlands. The state regulates wetlands of five acres or larger through the Department of Environmental Quality. Many communities have adopted ordinances extending protection to wetlands under five acres.

However, an aide to Gosselin said the intent is to change the bill to specifically name those subject areas for which local governments could not adopt ordinances.

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THE MICHIGAN HUMANE SOCIETY

Killing with kindness takes a toll

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The Michigan Humane Society is an organization in conflict with itself.

The staff love animals, especially dogs and cats, and want to find homes for all.

Yet they kill, by lethal injection, some 30,000 animals a year and place only 10,000 in homes. Three out of five animals that enter the shelter alive come out dead.

The Humane Society has difficulty retaining employees who have direct contact with the animals because it's heart-breaking to see so many animals killed.

"The turnover is very high," said Lisa Acho, one of the society's three public relations specialists. "It's a low-paying job, and it's very stressful. No one is in it for the money."

Even the PR people aren't immune. "I'm taking (the animals) pictures and putting them in the paper, and I come back the next day and they're put to sleep," Acho said. "You see these animals getting adopted, and it almost makes up for it."

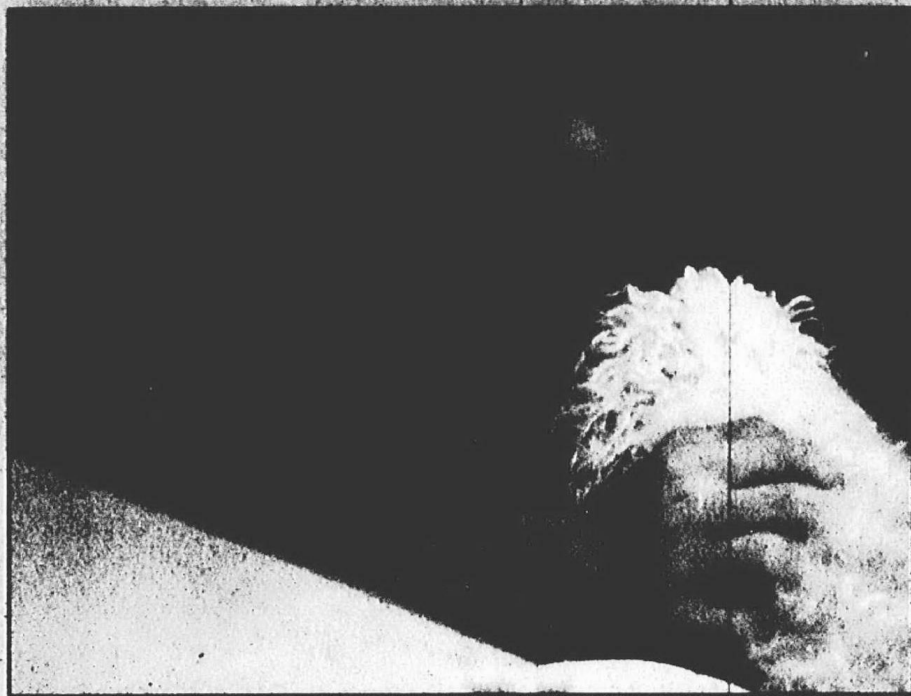
Yet employees and volunteers like Northville resident Mary Anne Callahan feel like they're doing God's work.

"More people need to know what is going on here and how much good is going on," Callahan said. "We're giving love and attention to animals. We're giving them a second chance."

Founded in 1877, the Michigan Humane Society takes in more animals than any other shelter in the state. The society's three shelters in Westland, Rochester Hills and Detroit will accept any animal for any reason, unlike limited admission shelters that are often full and must turn people away.

The Michigan Animal Rescue League of Pontiac euthanizes animals only when there's a temperament or health problem. Rescue League cages are full, and people with unwanted pets are frequently turned away. Nevertheless, Rescue League Manager Kayla Allen praises the Humane Society for its open admissions and liberal euthanasia policy. "There will be no criticism for what they're doing from our end," she said. "We're a fan of the Michigan Humane Society."

Micki Main, the manager of the Humane Society's Westland shelter, said limited-admission shelters solve no problems by sparing the needle. "They're not getting to the issue," she said. "They're



Sad goodbye: Jeff Wallis takes in a sick dog to be euthanized.

just washing their hands of it. They're unrealistic about what they're doing."

The Humane Society cages are usually filled, too. The Westland shelter has an average daily population of 250 animals. But animals who have been there the longest, or are judged least adoptable, are killed to make room for more. Since the Humane Society's doors are open to all animals, it often has to kill one to make room for another.

Acho is an animal lover, owns two cats and decorates her office with cat and dog pictures. But she "would rather take in an animal and have it put to sleep than turn them away."

Operations Director David Williams feels the same way. "The reality is there are not enough homes and too many animals," he said. Better that unwanted animals are euthanized at the Humane Society than hit by cars, used as bait for fighting dogs or end up in a laboratory.

Some animals that come to the society's shelters are killed right away. These are the biters, the trained fighting dogs, the seriously ill, the cats that won't use a litter box. The Humane Society's rationale is that cage space is best reserved for animals who have the best chance of being adopted.

There is no set time limit after which all animals are killed. As of June 18, the Westland shelter had three cats that had been there five weeks.

The animals are dispatched with a shot of sodium pentobarbital. "It's like getting an overdose of an anesthetic," Acho said.

Workers who administer the shots have the worst jobs in the place. "It's very stressful," Acho said. "It takes a lot out of you." The people who do that job limit themselves to one day at a time. "You can't do that day in and day out or you'd go crazy," Acho said.

The corpses are stored in the "cooler" and ultimately hauled away and cremated en masse.

Restrictions lifted

The Humane Society has sometimes been criticized for excessive selectivity in choosing adoptive families.

But some restrictions have been lifted in the interest of adopting more animals and killing less.

The society used to refuse adoptions if the prospective owner said he would have a cat declawed or use a dog for hunting. But these deal-killers have been dropped. "We'd rather see a cat

adopted and declawed than end up in our cooler," Acho said.

Still, there are certain things one can say that will turn the Humane Society off on a proposed adoption. Acho won't say what those red flags are. "If too many people know of our policies they can mold their answers," she said.

Occasionally, people who want to buy an animal are turned away, but Acho characterized it as "pretty rare."

People surrendering animals to the Humane Society are asked if the pet has behavioral problems but often avoid telling the truth about it, Acho said. "They're afraid the animal will be euthanized. (And) they're hurting other animals by doing that."

Although many of the Humane Society's animals are turned in by owners, a good deal are stray and abused animals picked up by local authorities.

The Humane Society's Animal Rescue Division takes in about 6,000 stray and injured animals a year. If they are seriously injured and in pain, the animals are quickly dispatched. Animals with lesser injuries are treated and held for at least four days. Many of the strays are brought in by area police departments. Canton Township, for example, contracts with Critter Control to pick up strays. Critter Control takes them to the Westland shelter, Acho said.

The Cruelty Investigation Division responded to 4,000 calls in 1998 and removed 1,000 animals from bad situations.

The Detroit police usually call the Humane Society when they break up a dog fight or raid a crack house.

Just last April the society confiscated 21 trained fighting dogs, two alligators and two pythons in one raid. The Humane Society received 316 dog fight complaints last year and euthanized 150 pit bulls, Acho said.

Drug dealers often have guard dogs like pit bulls, Rottweilers, or even cougars and alligators. So police know to call the Humane Society before they raid a crack house, Acho said.

Most people in the unwanted pet business blame pet owners who let their pets reproduce and pet owners who don't take the time to correct behavioral problems.

"It goes back to irresponsible pet owners," Allen said. "The lucky ones reach the shelters."



Cute kitty: Marcus Sayger, Holly Sayger (middle), and Marina Sayger get a chance to pet a kitten up for adoption.

30,000 lethal injections a year

■ In 1997, the MHS took in 53,048 animals. Of that number, 9,745 were "adopted," and 36,219 were killed. Some 7,084 were returned to their owners (as in the case of strays that were picked up) or released in the wild (like squirrels and birds).

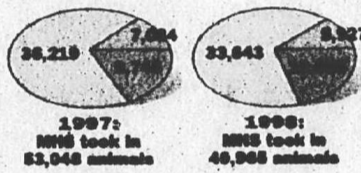
■ In 1998, the MHS took in 49,965 animals. Of that number, 10,395 were adopted, and 33,643 were killed. Some 5,927 animals were returned to their owners or released in the wild.

■ The Westland shelter took in 1,028 puppies last year and killed 36 percent (369) of them. Adult dogs fared worse. Of 7,086 admitted last year, 53 percent (3,800) were killed. Felines do worse than canines. Some 5,747 adult cats were admitted last year and 77 percent of them (4,445) were killed. Only 20 percent (1,126) were adopted.

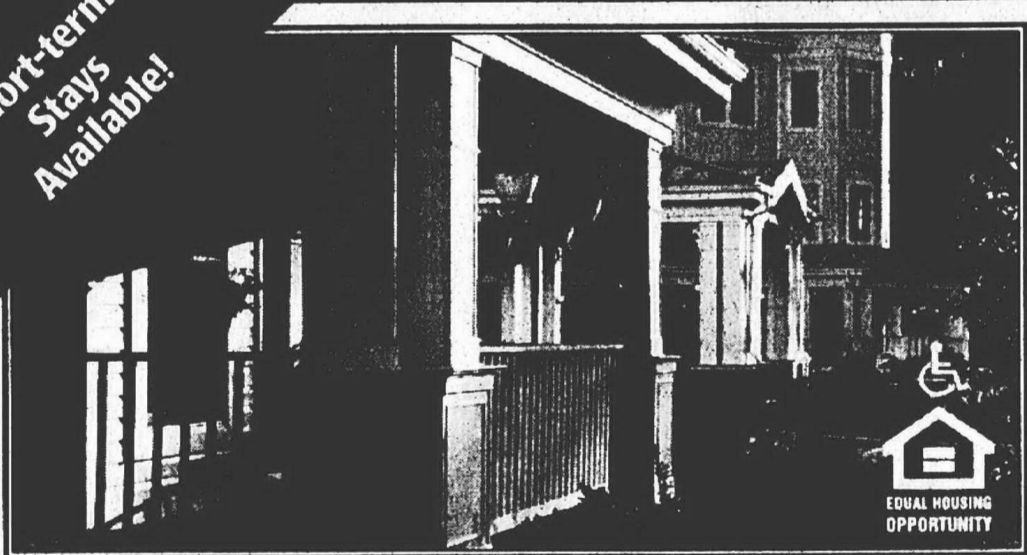
The shelter took in 2,943 kittens last year and killed 64 percent (1,895). Only 28 percent (830) were adopted.

■ The Humane Society operates shelters in Westland, Rochester Hills and Detroit. The Westland and Detroit shelters are the busiest of the three. Each admitted about 20,000 animals in 1998, but Westland adopted more (4,231 to Detroit's 3,312) and killed less (12,352 to Detroit's 15,075). The Rochester shelter admitted 9,315, adopted 2,852 and killed 6,216.

- Animals killed
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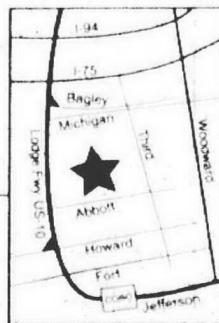
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Animals and pets — the perfect companions



Kitty: Canton resident Peggy Bellaire sent this picture of 4-year-old daughter Sarah and her "favorite patient," Kitty.

The Observer recently asked you to send us pictures and write-ups of your pets and their owners. Plymouth Canton residents sent us the following information. Below and to the right are photos of some of the most people locate and see around their homes. Most people locate and see resident Darlene Elby's dog her. "His original owner died

around our cottage," Elby wrote. "He came every weekend when we arrived there. Pete was waiting for us. He would spend the weekend with us, and when we left on Sunday night, he would chase our car until we were nowhere in sight. Well, this went on all summer until Pete got into rat poison and nearly died. So we brought him back to good health and gave him a home. And that was five and a half years ago."

Plymouth residents Len and Nancy Poma told us about their 4-year-old Basenji dog, Little Sheba. "She does not bark, but she does like to sing, or yodel, on the first Saturday of the month when the sirens sound," Nancy wrote. "She also loves to wag her curly little tail to show that she is happy to meet you."

Plymouth fifth-grader Cherri Bulik entitled her composition, "My Pigs and Me," guinea pigs that is.

Cherri's pets are Sweet Pea and Alvanzo. "Whenever I get a bag of baby carrots out they'll stand on their hind legs and take it from my hands. They're very talented. They can climb a staircase and scoot over to their special spot. When they were babies they'd climb in my pants leg and shirt. They're so sweet! I love them to pieces."

Canton residents Karen Cunningham and Terry Grant are the owners of Scooby Doo, an American hairless terrier. "We found her on the Internet while trying to find a dog that is good for people with allergies," the couple wrote. "She is totally hairless and needs to wear a sweater and coat in the winter. In the summer, if she is going to be outside for any length of time, she needs suntan lotion! She is very lovable and great with our son. She loves to cuddle!"

Canton resident Peggy Bellaire's 4-

year-old dog, named Kitty. "We tried looking for a dog named Kitty, but she would not respond to it," Bellaire wrote. "The name Kitty stuck. Now she is very tolerant of Sarah's attention. Kitty will be 14 years old in August."

Canton resident Beverly Ratcliffe recently took her 14-year-old, long-haired dachshund named Peanut to Michigan State University for major surgery. "We are grateful for the wonderful veterinarians who have made it possible to have more time with our loving companion," she wrote. "After all, he helped raise our two daughters and now has our granddaughter to love."

Canton resident Leah Wright, 1, enjoys companionship with her grandparents' Airedale terrier named Moka, according to her parents, Chuck and Cathy Wright. Leah loves the sound of Moka's dog tags clinking together, the couple wrote.

The Wrights also included a picture of Ben Wright, 3, with his dog Sandy, a 9-year-old smooth collie. "Ben loves to dress her up," Chuck and Cathy wrote. "Sandy is not so sure. Sometimes we call Sandy 'Snouty' since her nose is so long."

Canton resident Liz Gullison told us about her daughter Amy, 6, and her Yorkshire terrier Gigi, 3. "The dog is loyal, lovable and, oh yes, fiercely territorial," Gullison wrote.

John L. Murry of Canton told us that his little dog Maggie is always with him when he works around the house. "She has to have her little nose in everything," he wrote. "She is the best little helper."



Little Sheba: Plymouth residents Len and Nancy Poma sent us this picture of Nancy and their 4-year-old basenji dog, Little Sheba.

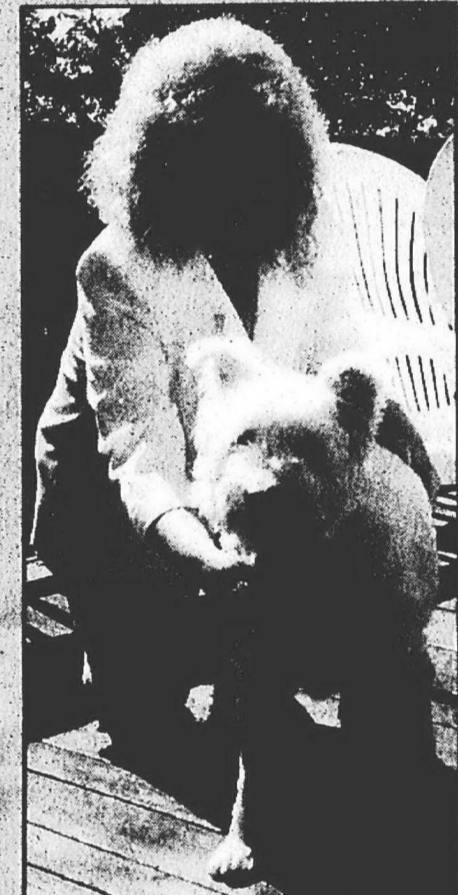
Got work to do: Canton resident John Murry works outside with his little dog Maggie.



Moka: Canton residents Chuck and Cathy Wright sent us two pictures. Above is Leah Wright, 1, with her grandparents' dog Moka, an Airedale terrier. Below is Ben Wright, 3, with his dog Sandy.



Peanut: Canton resident Beverly Ratcliffe sent us this picture of herself and Peanut, her 14-year-old long-haired dachshund.



For Pete's sake: Canton resident Darlene Elby sent us this picture of her dog Pete.



Gigi: Canton resident Liz Gullison sent this picture of her daughter Amy, 6, with her 3-year-old Yorkshire terrier Gigi.



Shogun's brother: Canton residents Colin Camillo and Jennifer Peters sent this picture of (from left) Shogun, Jennifer, Colin and Kuma. Shogun and Kuma are Akitas.

7 groups bid for Aeropark project

Seven development teams have submitted proposals to develop The Pinnacle Aeropark of Wayne County.

Encompassing 1,800 acres just south of Wayne County's Detroit Metro Airport in an area bounded by Eureka, Sibley, Merriman and I-275, the Pinnacle is expected to feature a mixed-use development including high technology, logistic/ transformation development and office facilities. It is also expected to feature a golf course, three hotels and retail facilities.

The Aeropark will be divided into four corridors, each with a specific grouping of land uses. It will include 11.5 million square feet (666 acres) of logistic/ transformation development; 1.2 million square feet (136 acres) of commercial development and 1.5 million (155 acres) of office development. Another 468 acres will be devoted for open space and right of ways.

Logistic/ transformation facilities provide the manufacturing

industry with sub-assembly, sequencing, packaging of components and sophisticated inventory management systems. "Flex tech" facilities enable companies to house administrative, engineering, production and distribution facilities under one roof.

Wayne County Department of Jobs and Economic Development will review the proposals, which will include a financial analysis by KPMG Peat Marwick. In June, the county issued a request for qualifications for a master developer, who will be responsible for marketing, land sales and zoning issues and engineering, coordination and construction of infrastructure.

Dewey Henry, director of that department, said county officials were impressed with the caliber of the development teams and the quality of proposals.

"We expect that Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara will be forwarding his recommendation for master developer to the Wayne County Commis-

sion within 30-45 days," Henry said.

The development teams and their partners include:

- Metro South Development Group: Ghafari Associates, Gramark Realty Advisors, Heritage Development Group, Hillwood Strategic Services, Kojanian/ Lehman Brothers Partnership;

- The Pinnacle Aeropark Development Team: Higgins Development Partners, and Marriott International;

- Aeropark Alliance, Wayne County: Schostak Brothers & Comp., Belz Enterprises; Sterling Group and Melvin Hollowell Jr.

- ProLogis DTW Partners: LoPatin & Co., ProLogis Trust; Great Lakes Corporate Resources Inc. and Quorum Commercial Real Estate;

- The Pinnacle Park Development Team: Støren & Lewis, Koll Development Co., Premier Advisors and the Michigan Regional Carpenters Council

Trust Fund
 ■ Metro South: The Farman Group, the Barden Cos., The SmithGroup and Walbridge Aldinger.

■ Aeropark Development Group Limited Partnership: Boblo Island, CFA International, Pierce Monroe & Associates and Trammell Crow Co.

County officials look at the partnerships' finances and bank statements, experience in past development and how these partners envision working with Wayne County over the next 15 years, said Tim Johnson, director of marketing and communication for Wayne County Jobs and Economic Development.

"Another factor is they need to have the financial capability to buy or sell a minimum of \$1.5 million in land each year," Johnson said.

Johnson expects development to begin this year once McNamara recommends a partnership and the county commission approves it.

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Mike Flanagan, RESA superintendent, said RESA was "casting a wide net" to fill those positions.

"We are inviting certified teachers, not only from Michigan, but also from Ohio, Indiana, and Ontario, Canada, to look at teaching in Wayne County," Flanagan said.

"We are also interested in meeting with people who may not be certified teachers. If they have a bachelor's degree or equivalent work experience and are interested in taking some college-level course work in order to become certified, experts will be there to talk with them."

Job seekers can speak with representatives to learn about each school district and open

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County Commission delays Fort Wayne restoration plan

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
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County parks officials may be completing plans soon with state and Detroit officials to redevelop Historic Fort Wayne.

Officials from Wayne County parks, the city of Detroit and Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority are expected to meet to discuss plans for Fort Wayne in southwest Detroit, but a resolution has hit a snag with the Wayne County Commission.

A resolution calling for HCMA to "take the lead" in assembling these parties to discuss a plan of action was sent back July 1 to the commission's Committee on Roads, Airports and Public Services for further study.

Some commissioners are concerned over what role Wayne County would play in the facility's restoration and how much interest money from a county parks tax fund had accumulated for a restoration.

Built in the 1850s in response to tension between the United States and Britain, the 82-acre

site at Livernois and West Jefferson features a star-shaped fort, dry moat, tunnels, barracks, garrison, parade grounds and commanding officer's house. Shots have never been fired from the fort.

The facility is open only on special occasions. It houses the National Museum of the Tuskegee Airmen and the Great Lakes Indian Interpretive Museum.

Wayne County's representative on the HCMA, William Kreger, requested that the HCMA meet with the city of Detroit, the Wayne County Commission and County Executive Edward McNamara and form a partnership in the redevelopment of Fort Wayne.

County Parks Director Hurley Coleman had indicated at an earlier meeting that this redevelopment was one of the "best opportunities" for these parties to join together. Approximately \$4 million from the county's parks millage has been allocated for Fort Wayne, Chandler Park and Mariner Park, but the coun-

ty has not established what its role would be.

Commissioner Edna Bell, D-Detroit, wondered how much interest had been earned by that money. Commission Chairman Ricardo Solomon, D-Detroit, said the commission had attempted to audit the county parks, and wanted to get that information on the interest earned. Those audits have yet to be completed.

Commissioner Bernard Parker, D-Detroit, said HCMA has "never done anything" for Wayne County with the exception of one study.

But Ilona Varga, D-Detroit, said she supported the resolution, introduced by Commissioner Robert Blackwell, D-Detroit, who chairs the Committee on Roads, Airports and Public Services.

Varga, whose district includes Historic Fort Wayne, said she met with HCMA officials and liked their commitment to the project.

"They would like to do other things in the area besides Historic Fort Wayne," Varga said.

Schoolcraft registers for fall

Registration is in progress for Schoolcraft College's fall semester, with classes beginning Thursday, Aug. 26.

This fall will mark the beginning for several new offerings.

Four sections of English Composition 101 will be offered as computer-based instruction classes for those want more writing experience than the traditional lecture class affords. A new integrated humanities class, Humanities in Western Culture - Antiquity through the Renaissance, will examine Western culture through a variety of perspectives.

Advanced ceramics, sculpture and watercolor painting have been added to the art department's curriculum, and students can take Introduction to Philoso-

phy on-line for the first time.

For students planning to major in elementary education or special education and who need to take beginning algebra, Schoolcraft has Math 051 EST, part of the Emerging Scholars Program for Teachers. The class, a component of a project funded by the National Science Foundation, will provide a sequence of instruction to help students learn mathematics meaningfully and successfully with a group of future teachers.

The College offers a variety of methods to register, including phone-in, mail-in and walk-in. Registration forms are available in the fall schedules or through the Office of Admissions. New students must meet with a counselor before registering. Mail-in

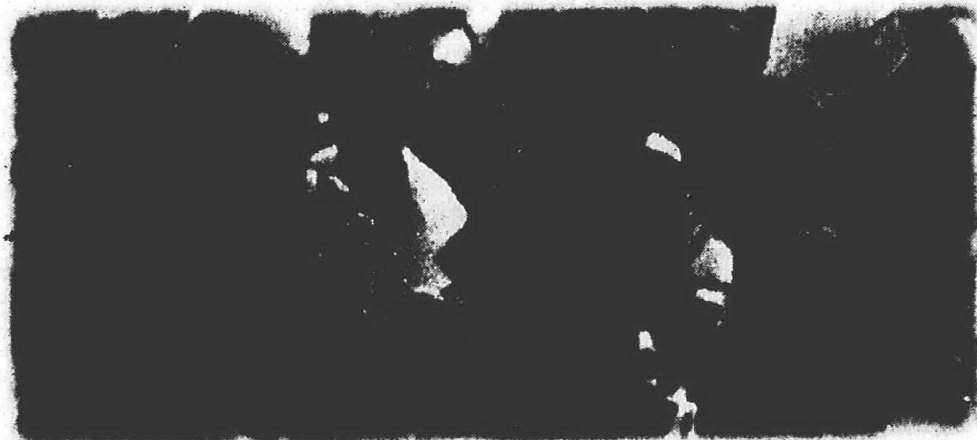
registration continues through July 31; phone-in registration continues through Aug. 24 by calling (734) 462-4800 except Sundays and holidays; and walk-in registration is available Aug. 9-24. To register in person, come to room 200 of the McDowell Center 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fridays. Radcliff Center walk-in registration is 1-7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 11.

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New statistics show Southeast Michigan is growing

BY MIKE MALOTT
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Been in a traffic jam lately? That ought not be a surprise, according to LaMar Frederick, chair of the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments Data-Center Advisory Council. "Vehicle miles traveled" in southeast Michigan reached 45 billion in 1995.

Get used to it. Said Frederick: "That will increase by 17 percent by 2020, to 52 billion miles. And, we will do it in less space, because there will be only a 5 percent increase in lane miles of roadway to carry that 17 percent increase in vehicle miles."

Frederick, also supervisor of Bedford Township in Monroe County, pointed out those statistics as a part of a presentation, entitled "A Growing Region, By the Numbers," to the general assembly of the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments Thursday, June 24.

Among the other statistics from SEMCOG's DataCenter, Frederick noted that the population of southeast Michigan is getting older. The 65-and-older population of the region will double between now and the year 2025, from half a million to just over a million.

"Perhaps even more dramatic, the over-85 population will benefit from much better health care and will grow from 16,000 in 1965 to 186,000 people over 85 by 2025," he said.

Also growing quickly is the economy of southeast Michigan.

"For every one new person living here, four new jobs have been created," he said. Frederick based that conclusion on the 320,000 jobs created in the region since 1990, a 15 percent increase. The overall population grew only 4 percent in the same

time period.

"The result is our unemployment rate of only 3.8 percent, among the nation's lowest," he said. "However, that cannot go on forever. In just 10 years, there will not be enough working age people to fill new jobs. Our job growth will level off, even while population continues growing."

Where do all those people live? In new residences, of course. "1998 was the biggest residential construction year in 20 years. We built almost 26,000 units last year. While some of that construction has been multiple housing, we built more single family homes in the past 4-1/2 years than we did in the entire 1980s," Frederick said.

Not all that construction is due to population growth alone. The average size of the household is shrinking, from 3.5 persons in the 1950s and '60s to today's 2.6 persons per home.

"Ozzie and Harriet represented the demographic profile of our nation and region that is, two married adults with two children, all living in the same house ... That has changed. Now, the Seinfeld folks have become our profile four single people living in their own apartments, two sets of empty nest parents, one nearby, the other in Florida," Frederick said. "It will continue shrinking until it reaches 2.4 in 2025."

The overall population of southeast Michigan declined in the '70s and early '80s as residents moved out for the Sunbelt states.

"Beginning in the late 1980s, we reversed that trend as population growth saw 230,000 more people living here in the past 10 years. But growth is relative. That 'growth' was really just replacing those who left. Fortunately, we are now achieving

true growth for the region with an additional 600,000 people expected by 2025," Frederick said.

Some 360,000 new homes will be needed for them. "Building

that many housing units is the equivalent of building an entire new City of Detroit," he said.

Trade continues to be vibrant. Frederick said some 900,000 railroad cars cross between

Michigan and Ontario annually through rail tunnels in Port Huron and Detroit. Additionally, some 4.4 million trucks cross the Ambassador and Blue Water bridges each year.

All said and done, "some \$1.3 billion in trade flows through our region on trucks, trains, boats and planes" each year, Frederick concluded.



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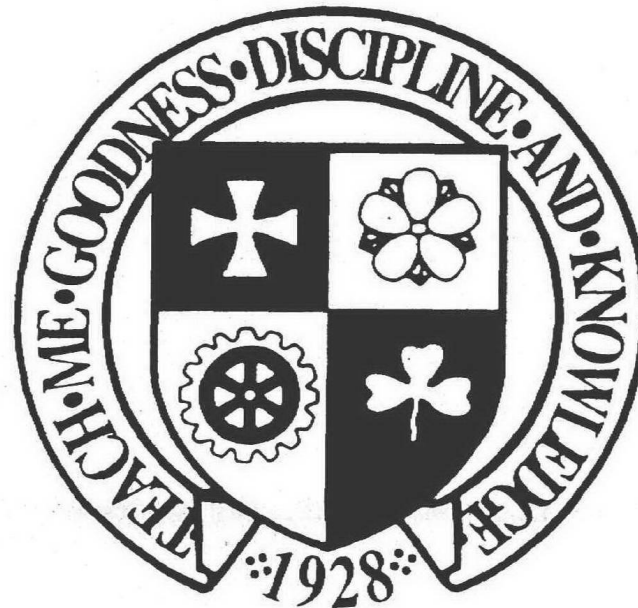
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AIDS Quilt: Madonna University students assembled a Virtual AIDS quilt as part of the course, "Time & Literature: The Millennium Apocalyptic Visions & AIDS."

Students make AIDS quilt

When 55 Madonna University students enrolled in the six-week course, "Time & Literature: The Millennium, Apocalyptic Visions & AIDS" this spring, they were asked to consider how these three phenomena relate in historical, cultural and personal terms.

The course is taught by three Madonna University faculty from the fields of literature, history and nursing. The course culminated with each student creating a personal panel for a virtual

AIDS "quilt."

The virtual quilt was both a decorative medium for documenting memories and a testimony to those who died in the epidemic.

When the "squares" were assembled, the quilt was displayed publicly in several locations around the university. Now it can be viewed on the University's Web site at ww2.munet.edu/aids/. When you get the Web site, click on the box to the left of Virtual AIDS quilt project.

Piano program has interviews

Students interested in joining Schoolcraft College's Piano Academy in the fall must schedule interviews, beginning the week of July 12. Interviews for elementary and intermediate students will be concluded in August.

The Piano Academy is a combination of group and private lessons for children in the first grade through high school. The elementary division includes students in grades 1 through 4, who receive a one-hour group lesson and a half-hour private lesson each week.

They develop sight-reading and rhythmic skills, study keyboard theory, improvisation and composition and work to develop efficient practice skills. There are ample opportunities to perform for peers and families.

focuses on a select number of ambitious pre-college piano students who study in 45-minute private lessons and a monthly master class presented by professor of music Donald Morelock. Students have frequent recital opportunities.

All faculty in the Piano Academy hold master's degree in piano teaching and performance from the University of Michigan School of Music.

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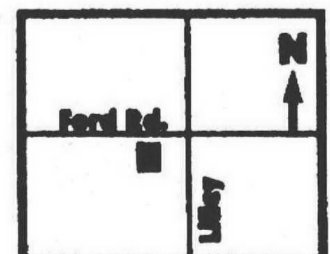
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QUINCY Z. MCCULLOUGH

Services for Quincy Z. McCullough, 85, formerly of Plymouth, were July 3 at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth with the Rev. Steven McCullough officiating.

Mr. McCullough was born June 26, 1914 in Union City, Tenn. He died July 2 in Jackson, Mich.

He came to the Plymouth community in 1937 from Tennessee. He lived in Napoleon, Mich. for 15 years and most recently in Brooklyn, Mich.

A retired supervisor for the Wayne County Road Commission, Mr. McCullough loved to hunt, garden and work in his yard.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Lessie McCullough and eight brothers and sisters.

He is survived by his wife, Helen; five children, Farrell (Jenny) of Florida, Quincy of Carlton, Mich., Barry (Carla) of Whitmore Lake, Joan (George) Barbat of Dexter, and Steven (Jennie) of Hagerstown, Md.; 11 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Imogene Warren of Garden City and Christine Jones of Marietta, Ga.

Local arrangements were made by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth.

WILLIAM STOKES

Services for William Stokes, 84, of Plymouth were July 10 at the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth with the Rev. Dr. James Skimins officiating. Burial was at White Chapel Cemetery in Troy.

Mr. Stokes was born May 15, 1915 in Scotland. He died July 7 in Livonia. He came to the Plymouth community in 1974 from Detroit.

He was an attorney referee for the Wayne County Friend of the Court for 30 years after graduat-

ing from Detroit College of Law. He attended Ford Trade School prior to his military service and worked for the Ford Motor Co.

A member of the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, he served as an elder. Mr. Stokes also was a member of the Masonic Lodge (Zion #1 of Detroit), joining when he was 21, a member of the Knights Templar #1 of Detroit, past president of the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit, a Scottish benevolent society.

Mr. Stokes also fought in the Golden Gloves in Detroit where he met and became friends with Joe Louis.

He enjoyed golf, traveling and reading.

He is survived by his wife, Thelma, and friends, Anne and Bill Fysh of Westland and Betty and Charles Fisher of Lincoln, Mich.

Local arrangements were made by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth.

Memorials can be made to the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth.

LAVAWN E. CURTIS

Services for Lavawn E. Curtis, 71, of Plymouth were July 10 in Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church with the Rev. Fr. John Sullivan officiating. Burial was in Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia.

She was born Dec. 22, 1927, in Gothenburg, Neb. She died July 7 in Livonia. Mrs. Curtis came to the Plymouth community in 1979 from Florida. She adored her only son and grandchildren. She was a wonderful wife, mother and grandmother. She was an installation order clerk at Ameritech. She worked for Ameritech from March 1980 until December 1992.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Donald D. Curtis. Survivors include her son, Dou-

glas (Kathy) Curtis of Livonia; five grandchildren, Douglas (Michele) Curtis, Denise (Mike) Dietz, Morgan Curtis, Michele Curtis, Megan Curtis; and five great-grandchildren, Brittany, Chelsea, Jenna, Aubrey, and Alexandria.

Local arrangements were made by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth.

LEONELLA E. LAMAY

Services for Leonella E. LaMay, 87, of Plymouth were July 12 in Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church with the Rev. John Ortman officiating. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield.

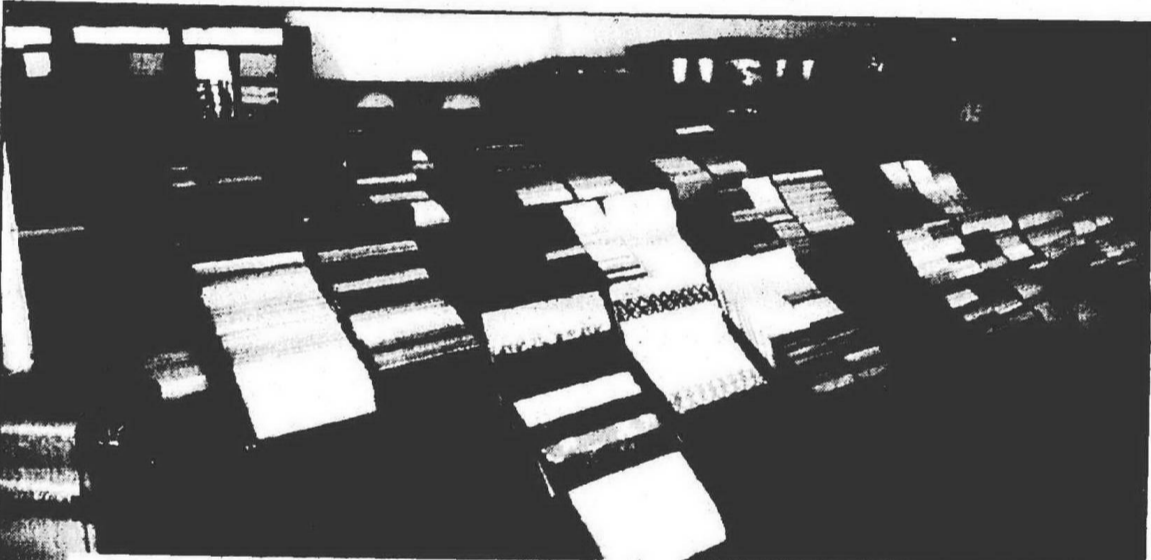
She was born Sept. 21, 1911, in Cheboygan, Mich. She died July 8 in Plymouth. She was a proprietor. She was employed at Riverside Arena. She was a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lionel (Ona) LaMay; and her parents, Archibald and Hattie DeMara.

Survivors include her daughter, Onalee Tyra of Canton; two sons, Leo (Roslyn) LaMay of Livonia, Lionel E. (Debra) LaMay of Plymouth; one sister, Rose Barteck; one brother, Richard DeMara; sister-in-law, Louise DeMara; two grandsons, Todd Bates and David; three granddaughters, Tiffany Zendejas, Michele Carlisle, Laura Kelley; and four great-grandchildren, John, Joshua, Caleb, and Hannah.

Memorials may be made to Arbor Hospice, 2366 Oak Valley Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48103 or Plymouth Historical Society, 155 S. Main St., Plymouth, MI 48170 or to Dunning-Hough Library, 223 S. Main St., Plymouth, MI 48170.

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THURSDAY, JULY 15, 1999

Art in the Park

It's a feather in the city's hat

After last weekend's hugely successful Art in The Park, it's hard to believe retailers voiced objection to the Plymouth City Commission last year.

It just goes to prove Diane Quinn and her committee, which drew 400 artists from 34 different states, did their best to address retailers' concerns.

Sidewalks remained clear of clutter at the rear of artists' booths and, for the most part, booths were situated far enough apart for visitors to meander into local shops as well.

Thousands roamed downtown Plymouth streets from Central Middle School to just north of Wing. It was bigger and better than ever with a new garden art center on the front lawn of the school. Saturday's Kelly Miller Circus, sponsored by the Plymouth Lions Club, helped draw record crowds and the weather cooperated beautifully.

Judging by the number of people carrying bags of homemade baked goods from the Breadsmith in addition to their bags of hand-crafted artworks, it's hard to believe merchants wouldn't have reaped the benefits from

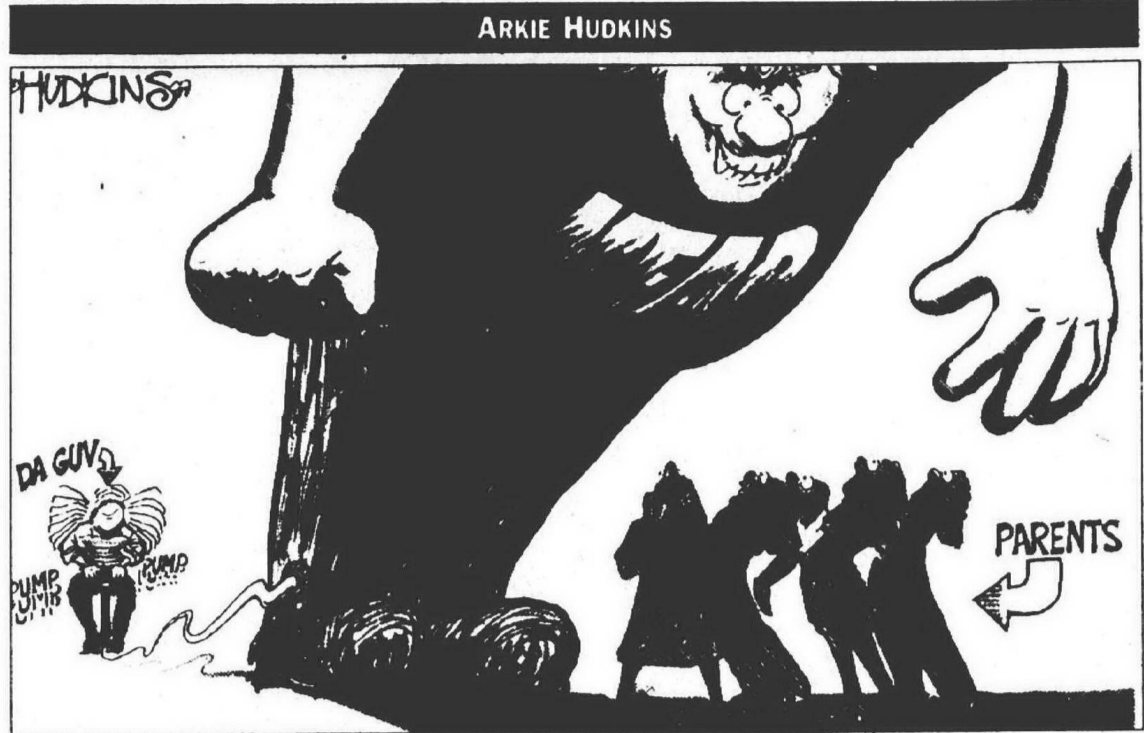
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one of Plymouth's most popular events.

Those who came to downtown Plymouth for the 19th annual Art in the Park also lined up for soup and sandwiches at the Cozy Cafe and stopped by the Dairy King for ice cream. Memory Lane remained open Saturday and Sunday night until the crowds disappeared, according to owner Debra Eaves.

Art in the Park is also one of the few downtown events that makes enough money to support itself, paying back the city for all services it utilizes.

It's events like this one that put the city of Plymouth on the map. It makes people want to come back and enjoy what the community has to offer.



ARKIE HUDKINS

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Thanks for nomination

I am writing this letter of appreciation to all the teachers and administrators of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools who recently supported my nomination as the namesake for the new elementary school. I was deeply honored to receive this recognition. I had the distinct privilege of serving the staff and students of the Plymouth-Canton Schools in a number of positions from 1961-1991. As the principal of the new Miller Elementary School and the executive director of Elementary Education, I came to realize how fortunate the students of this district were. The teachers and principals were of the highest quality, dedicated to providing the very best education possible. Together we searched for better ways to teach and meet the needs of the students in the district. No challenge was too great. And so, I want to thank you publicly, not only for your kind expression toward me, but for the work you do on behalf of students in this school district.

Shirley Spaniel
 Former Executive Director of
 Elementary Education

Thanks to teens

We would like to express our gratitude to four Plymouth teenage students. Deeply afraid of the sound of fireworks, our dog ran four miles from home in only a few minutes after hearing firecrackers one evening last week. These students found and comforted our lost and very frightened dog. When they called to notify us, they even offered to bring her to us. They would accept no reward but were simply happy to help. In light of some of the recent negative publicity regarding young adult citizens, we would like to take the opportunity to thank these students for their act of kindness. Perhaps they viewed it as a small gesture, but they should know they spared two young children much sadness with their thoughtfulness.

Greg and Linda Barterian
 Plymouth

Tax Abatements

A couple of years ago, I wrote a letter to the Editor regarding tax abatements. I am against them because (companies) would have built them without abatements.

A year later (Bob) DeMattia had a full-page article on abatements, and he agreed that they would have built the buildings with-

out the tax abatements. The article was in both the Detroit Free Press and the Observer. We have location, location, location, so why do we give taxes away?

We have expressways that go in four directions. Very desirable property.

I learned this lesson years ago from a very successful friend: When Royal Oak was building an expressway through his property, he told his son to go look for property to build a new manufacturing building.

I live in Northville Township (my office is in Plymouth), and when OIS asked for a 12-year abatement, I was the only one that stood up and objected. What did we get from the richest man in Michigan? Bill Davidson, owner of the Pistons and many other corporations? A bankrupt corporation. This is after the federal government gave him \$50 million, the state gave him \$20 million, and they purchased the land worth \$10 million for pocket change. Thanks a million. Now we will get property tax on a vacant building.

Plymouth Township just gave away \$127,000 last year. It is not mandatory to give tax breaks. Legal, yes.

The little guy that drives a Ford or Chevy pays for it while the big shot drives his BMW or Mercedes. Doesn't that sound just about even?

Wake up, trustees, or soon you'll be asking for more millage as your budget will have shorts. I just don't understand your thinking.
Dean H. Lenheiser
 Plymouth

New traditions

I would like to respond to your articles regarding the last day of school. When I thought about the events of 1998, and read about the events of this year, there was a big difference. The video of last year showed me chaos and bedlam, and a young person being tossed up on the hood of a car. This year, the school day ended in a very orderly and non-violent way. This is progress in providing our children with a safer environment.

I believe our schools' and public safety departments' proactive stance against minimizing the opportunity for violence and danger is to be commended. I believe that the students in our community need to be commended as well. They followed new rules, rules that are not fun. I hope that new end-of-the-school-year traditions were created out of the chaos of 1998.

Susan Davis
 Canton

Don't be blinded by MEAP

Confusion over standardized testing — such as MEAP — seems so pervasive that even the animated sitcom "The Simpsons" pokes fun.

In a fabled episode, the Simpson children, scholarly Lisa and recidivist Bart, each take career aptitude tests.

Scores show Lisa will become a homemaker, while Bart is destined for a law enforcement career.

The show makes clear the potential impact of standardized tests: Lisa becomes despondent and a classroom delinquent, and Bart becomes an overzealous hall monitor.

The parody highlights the need for caution as educators and parents analyze MEAP results. Sometimes the children are forgotten in favor of statistical comparisons.

MEAP results should not result in a wholesale reordering of educational priorities, though the tests give us valuable information about how to improve curricula.

Learning to pass a test is not a complete education. And simply teaching to pass a test is not completely educating.

MEAP tests are useful as an analytical and planning tool. At the least, MEAP results may inform parents, educators and school districts how a curriculum may be lacking.

Anticipating MEAP scores seems to put plenty of people on edge. Because MEAP is given at various times throughout the year, scores become a blur for the public.

MEAP results also prompt plenty of analysis.

Yet the primary concern is why scores aren't better. Caveats always follow a district's scores: a school's population has changed, timing of the test was inappropriate or the test was changed since last year, which didn't give teachers — and consequently students — time to prepare.

In the end, most students get up the next morning and go to school with little worry about the results.

Yet the adults in their lives put such great focus on the results, so much so that some school districts market in anticipation of the tests. Some districts have T-shirts announcing

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it; special snacks or breakfasts in its honor.

To be fair, educators, the media and parents should understand that test scores alone don't necessarily imply good, well-rounded education.

MEAP does not test a student's knowledge of current events or their knowledge and the applicability of art and music, or their people skills, perhaps one of the most important elements in successful employment.

MEAP scores can help a school district identify its weaknesses and help develop curricula that corrects those weaknesses. For example, Livonia put great emphasis on MEAP scores in 1998 after Superintendent Ken Watson's assessment that the district's "MEAP scores don't match the public image of Livonia schools." He then rejected his own 2 percent pay raise and created a new administrative position the Observer has referred to as a "MEAP czar." And the test scores did increase.

However, educators and parents must not be blinded by individual MEAP scores. Too often these scores are politicized and massaged, not for the good of the individual student but for the good of a district's public image. That's not education.

Educators and parents must be mindful that MEAP scores are not the only yardstick to measure educational progress. Grades, other standardized tests and participation in extracurricular events are also measurements of the success of education.

Let's face the reality of MEAP.

It is a test that has validity and can be used as a guidepost for positive change. But it is not the be-all and end-all of education or a child's educational future.

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We asked this question at the Canton Public Library.



'We like anything to do with dinosaurs and Clifford.'
Denise Skopczynski
 Canton



'I love to read about NASCAR.'
Bob Bear
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'I like self-improvement books.'
Jackie Dostine
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'I like business journals and magazines.'
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— Philip Power

POINTS OF VIEW

Parents: Talk to your kids about drugs

"My story starts at a local rave in my city. The cops had just busted up the scene, so we were going to drive to a friend's house close by, and my friend Kyle had just taken two gels of acid and three drops of liquid. When we got to my friend's house, Kyle became really withdrawn and started to worry me. Then he got really out of control.... He started to freak out and kick the car seats trying to get up in the front seat. He was screaming out single words with no idea of what he was saying."

This is an actual account from a young adult who has frequented all-night dance parties, also known as Raves. The argument by Rave organizers is that Raves are a place where young adults can dance and become

reinvigorated. The music is techno and the beat is contagious. There is nothing wrong with the dancing aspect of Raves or the socializing, if that were all that was taking place. Drug use is also commonplace at Raves, and parents need to be aware that their teens are at risk.

One of the most abused drugs at Raves is Ecstasy. Ecstasy is a synthetic drug that acts simultaneously as a stimulant and a hallucinogen. Ecstasy belongs to a class of drugs known as designer drugs.

A designer drug is created by changing the molecular structure of an existing drug or drugs to create a new substance. The street names of designer drugs vary according to time, place, and manufacturer, and the names change frequently. Designer drugs are created

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in covert laboratories and can be extremely hazardous.

Studies with rats and monkeys have shown that the use of Ecstasy can cause brain damage by reducing the serotonin levels in the brain by 90 percent for at least two weeks. Serotonin affects thinking processes, mood, sleeping and eating habits, aggressive behavior and sensitivity to pain.

Users who take Ecstasy risk exhaustion and dehydration from a combination of the drug and nonstop dancing. Users have even died of heat strokes. Other harmful effects include: psychiatric disturbances, including panic, anxiety, depression, paranoid thinking, muscle tension, nausea, blurred vision, fainting, chills, sweating, increased heart rate, increased blood pressure,

tremor, hallucinations, reduced appetite and sleep problems.

Our children are increasingly living in a dangerous society. It is important that, as parents and concerned individuals in society, we know what's going on in their lives and protect them from situations considered part of the adolescent experience. An adolescent experience that can endanger our children's lives should alarm us and should not be brushed off: Talk to your kids about drugs.

To obtain a free copy of the parent's guide to raising drug-free youth, call (800) 626-4636.

Darnell Jackson is the director of the Office of Drug Control Policy, Michigan Department of Community Health.

Officials seek vengeance for crime, not justice

It sounds good: "If you do the crime, you'll do the time." It means you'll go to prison for a serious misdeed.

Michigan would depart from that rhyming philosophy under a state Senate-passed bill, SB 96, awaiting House action, which would allow a person to be declared a "violent predator" after he/she had served a prison sentence. Then the offender would be detained (for \$15,000 a year) under the Mental Health Code.

Here's how it would work: The Department of Corrections must notify the attorney general when a violent offender who could be a violent predator was within six months of release. The AG could file a petition to try that person as a violent predator.

The standard for being declared a violent predator is pretty high, as drafted by Sen. William Van Regenmorter, R-Jenison: two or more first-degree criminal sexual conduct acts (rapes); two or more murders; two or more voluntary manslaughters; "a

mental abnormality that makes the individual likely to engage in future predatory acts of violence."

Now anyone who has twice raped, twice murdered, or twice slaughtered someone voluntarily will be in prison a very long time indeed. He or she will be very old by the time the sentences (plural) are served.

So why wasn't the person getting mental treatment while serving the sentences? Is the bill aimed at solving a crime - or venting a cruel streak?

The Senate on May 19 passed it 33-5. Among those voting no were Alma Wheeler Smith, D-Salem, and George Z. Hart, D-DeARBorn Heights. Hart didn't speak. Smith did, eloquently.

"According to the Michigan Parole Board, only three inmates are paroled annually who are serving life terms, and not one prisoner meets the test of this legislation," she said.

The legal proceeding would require a finding that someone "might commit a crime again" - not that they did, or



TIM RICHARD

will, Smith said.

So why worry about a non-existent set of parolees? "We pierce the constitutional veil that protects against double jeopardy and incarceration" for a mere belief that someone may sin again, "and we put every citizen at risk," she said.

The Senate also passed SB 497, by floor leader Mike Rogers, R-Brighton, to allow wiretaps in cases of drugs, gambling, racketeering, money laun-

dering and Internet crimes against children. Any of the 83 county prosecutors could apply to a judge for a wiretap permit. The equipment costs \$15,000; each tap, \$600.

The Senate vote was 23-15, with 22 Republicans and Dianne Byrum, D-Onondaga, voting yes and 15 Democrats plus Dave Jaye, R-Macomb, voting no. It's in a House committee.

The Smiths, Virgil of Detroit and Alma of Salem, filed an angry protest in which they saw "a pattern" of eroding individual constitutional rights. "We may nick away" at our freedoms "in the name of fighting crime" until one day we lose those freedoms.

Besides, he said, wiretaps are available under federal law. And the Senate shot down an amendment that would have required the attorney general to be involved.

This isn't a Michigan phenomenon alone.

An article in the December 1998 Atlantic Monthly magazine noted that

the United States of America (God bless the red, white and blue) has more people behind bars (1.8 million) for its size than even the dreadful China.

Moreover, The Wall Street Journal reported in June, the U.S. has something in common with Iran, Nigeria, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia and Yemen. They're the only nations to inflict the death penalty for crimes committed when the defendant was younger than 18.

And some Michigianians want our state to go backwards to the death penalty!

What I detect is not a tough attitude toward crime but a cruel, police state mentality trying to break the constitutional leash.

Tim Richard is a freelance columnist who is retired from this newspaper.

Court ruling benefits universities

The news media buried it, so you probably missed it. But to Michigan universities, it was certainly the most important event of the year.

I'm referring to the ruling of the Michigan Supreme Court that it's unconstitutional to apply the state's Open Meetings Act to university governing boards seeking a new president until a vote on a final candidate is taken at a formal meeting.

The 6-1 decision, announced last month, arose from a lawsuit filed in 1993 by the Detroit News and the Lansing State Journal against the Michigan State University Board of Trustees. The newspapers argued MSU violated the Open Meetings Act when it carried out a secret search process that wound up selecting current President Peter McPherson.

The court reasoned that the Michigan Constitution explicitly gives the power to control the workings of universities to their respective governing boards, not to the Legislature. The Open Meetings Act, however, is a creation of the Legislature. Therefore, university boards are not required by the OMA to keep presidential searches open, although any formal meetings to officially select a president must be open to the public.

The court's key finding: "The Legislature does not have power to regulate open meetings for the (university) defendant in the context of presidential searches, i.e., it is institutionally unable to craft an open meetings act that would not, in the context of a presidential selection committee, unconstitutionally infringe the governing board's power to supervise its institution."

During the years I served on the University of Michigan Board of Regents, I was involved in searches for two presidents, James Duderstadt and Lee Bollinger. In both cases, the university was sued by the news media for violating the Open Meetings Act. So I've got some direct experience with this issue.

Over the years, various OMA court rulings made it tough on public university boards to find good presidential candidates. I recall a sitting university president and an excellent potential candidate for the U-M presidency telling me, "I admire your university, and I'd love to be its president. But under no circumstances will I let my name be considered. Why? Because the way your Open Meetings Act has been interpreted makes it certain my interest will become public. And that would damage my presidency here, whether I'm selected or not."

Michigan became known nationally in the higher education community as a state with a crazy Open Meetings Act. Able people with university leadership experience increasingly refused to let their names go forward in Michigan university presidential searches. For example, not one sitting university president allowed



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his or her name to be considered during the Regents' last search for a new U-M president.

The constraints forced on boards by the courts could be absurdly restrictive. During the Bollinger search process, members of our board were ordered by a circuit judge not to interview candidates, check out their backgrounds with references or even talk informally among ourselves without the public being present!

The public policy issues involved go far beyond momentary inconvenience. Able and experienced university leaders are a scarce resource, and competition to recruit them is fierce. Restrictively applying the OMA to presidential searches systematically disadvantages Michigan public universities in competing with private schools for hard-to-find leadership talent.

The recent Supreme Court decision resolves this tangled situation. University boards in Michigan may now conduct searches for new presidents in private, opening up the process to the public only at a last, formal board meeting at which a final vote is taken. Our public universities can now compete on a level playing field for talented and experienced education leaders.

The risk, of course, is that university boards might now try to use the Court's ruling as an excuse for keeping secret a slew of things now firmly in public view. Eastern Michigan University, for example, announced last month that its search for a successor to President William Shelton will be entirely closed. And some experts are worried that the application to public universities of other beneficial laws - the Michigan Freedom of Information Act, for example - might be threatened.

But, on balance, the gain for our public universities - arguably Michigan's crown jewels - far exceeds the risks.

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Republicans wary of Engler's 'satellite' school plan

BY TIM RICHARD
SPECIAL WRITER

House Republicans are giving the Engler administration a hard time on its efforts to let non-public school students take part in public school sports and clubs.

Lawmakers also are casting a wary eye at the governor's idea of letting school districts cross boundaries to set up competing "satellite" schools in other districts.

It's widely believed the House will strip out the section allowing non-public students to take part in public school sports. Administrators fear that athletes with low grades will be "home" schooled, graded easily by their parents and become eligible for sports. "The day we adopt this, every high school dropout would become eligible for athletics," warned freshman Rep. Mike Pumford, R-Fremont.

"I'm bothered by the satellite school idea," said Rep. Patricia (Pan) Godchaux, R-Birmingham, as the House Appropriations subcommittee on school aid took up the bill April 21. "We've tried to get school districts to collaborate. This will create an adversarial relationship between them."

Rep. Tom Kelly, D-Wayne, agreed, recalling the bitter fight when Romulus School District set up a "charter" school within Detroit's boundaries. "There was animosity and acrimony. There were problems with recruitment and sports," he said.

"No one's pounding on my door, begging for satellite schools," said Rep. Terry Geiger, R-Lake Odessa, chair of the full House Appropriations Committee.

Replied Robbie Jameson of Engler's budget office: "The governor has had districts complaining they can't compete like charter schools do. This is a way to

provide choice for parents. It's another step in the choice-competition continuum."

Another Engler idea is to stretch out pupil counts over the year so that state aid could be cut to districts with high dropout and absenteeism rates.

Brian Whiston, who represents Oakland Intermediate School District in Lansing's lobbies, explained how it works. Historically, school aid was based on attendance on the fourth Friday in September. Then the state went to a blended count: 50 percent weight to February, 50 percent to September.

This helped districts losing population but hurt suburban growth districts. So last year, Sen. Bill Bullard Jr., R-Milford, and then-Rep. Barbara Dobb, R-Union Lake, got it changed to 40 percent weight for February, 60 percent September.

Engler is proposing 20 percent weight for February and 10 percent weight for each of the eight months from September through May. "The funding would more closely follow the child," said budget spokesperson Jameson.

"This is going to add a lot of administrative cost," predicted Godchaux. "You're telling us it's revenue-neutral." She noted that Proposal A, which made every district dependent on state aid, requires all 29 Oakland K-12 districts to submit reports. Prior to Proposal A, however, just three of 29 needed to report.

"It took 15 or 16 people added to the payroll to audit the reports," Godchaux said. (Proposal A cut property taxes and substituted a 2 percent rate increase in the sales tax to fund public schools.) Pumford agreed with God-

chaux's criticism. "For five years, I was a school attendance officer. It's not a popular job. That's the reason I ran for the Legislature," he said to loud laughter.

Engler's plan would require nine separate head counts and 10 "supplemental" count days for each of those, Pumford said. "How many more staff will have to be added at the Department of Education?"

"Not many," Jameson replied. "Reports come in electronically."

Engler's effort is taking a strange legislative path. Usually, policy bills are separately

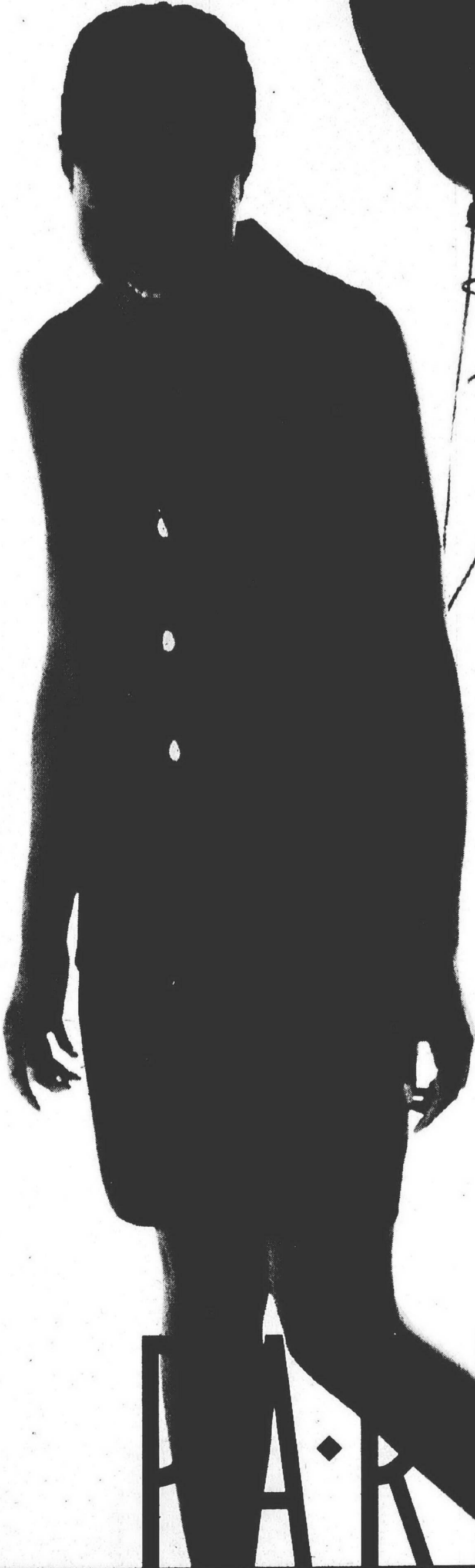
drafted and sent to the House Education Committee, as in the case of the Detroit takeover.

This time, Engler has put his policy proposals into a budget bill - the K-12 supplemental bill. It provides \$67.8 million more for K-12 schools in fiscal 1999 (current year) and \$120.1 million more for fiscal 2000 (beginning Oct. 1). That's why it's in the Appropriations Committee process.

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County tries new road surfacing

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Wayne County is trying a "microsurfacing" technique used by the Michigan Department of Transportation to protect the road's surface and maintain its quality condition.

Wayne County commissioners awarded a contract July 1 with Terry Construction of Hamilton, Ohio, for \$176,540 to fill cracks and "micro-surface" Toledo Road from Eureka to Northline in Southgate. Scodeller Construction of South Lyon will be a sub-contractor for the job.

Bob Mahoney, director of roads for Wayne County, wanted Wayne County to use the micro-surface technique after he observed its use on I-75 north of Mount Morris near Flint for a stretch of approximately 10 to 15 miles.

Mahoney said he's been impressed by the material.

"It's a liquid asphalt with a fine sand-type of aggregate," Mahoney said. The overlay is about 3/8ths of an inch thick. The county's contractors will try the method with rubber to act as a sealant in the overlay, Mahoney said.

"The first thing they'll do is seal all the cracks, then apply the overlay, which they will probably do at night," Mahoney said. "But as soon as they do a lane, they can let traffic on it."

When roads are sealed, the asphalt's "oxidization" process slows. Without a sealant and under normal conditions, asphalt deteriorates and cracks, then potholes are created. "If you keep that asphalt sealed, the material is fine," Mahoney said.

Mahoney hopes such work can extend the road's life.

"If you can buy five, six or seven years, it will put you ahead on the curve," Mahoney said.

If the process works, the county plans to use funds for the program out of the road maintenance budget, leaving more funds in the roads' capital improvement budget.

COMMON SENSORS



JACQUE MARTIN-DOWNS

Parenting: How do you stack up?

How do you stack up as a parent? In their book, "The Seven Worst Things Parents Do," Drs. Linda and Joel Friel describe to their readers the common mistakes regular (not abusive or neglectful) parents make with their kids.

Read on and you may find that you already adhere to these common sense principles:

■ **Putting your marriage last.** The "good parent" may say, "I only have a few years to mold and shape these kids, so my marriage needs to be on hold."

The authors dispel this myth with a strong statement about showing children about being a good role model as to how wives' and husbands' relationships should look. How will the children see that model, if you are not nurturing the marriage in front of the children?

■ **Babying your child.** A 20-year-old who was the product of that thinking confesses that when she arrived at college she became lost and depressed because she had believed that nothing bad could ever happen to her. She ended up partying heavily and became pregnant.

She commented that, "I wish there could have been more structure and discipline (when growing up). I also couldn't cope with anyone saying NO to me."

Giving in to the child's whims or doing everything for them robs them of their self-esteem because they never learn how to be competent, and they don't have a chance to learn from their mistakes.

■ **Fail to give the child structure.** When we take on the parenting role, we are in essence saying, "I am the manager here, and I will do it consistently."

Lack of structure feels lousy to a child, even if they tell you they love it. It also gives them too much power. Pretty soon, they become the manager of the house!

■ **Be the child's best friend.** This stance comes about when we want to stay close to our child. But putting them on your level takes away your authority. Try the motto, "Be friendly, not friends."

■ **Pushing them in to too many activities.** Parents describe this as pushing everyone into fast forward 90 percent of the time. Decide what the child's type of personality needs, then find activities that match it.

Some children aren't competitive and see soccer and team sports as repulsive. You see these kids out on the field paying little attention to what's going on. These children may thrive very well taking art classes or gymnastics, where they don't have to compete against anyone.

Decide if you're putting them in the activity for your own gratification or for theirs.

■ **Expecting your child to fulfill your dreams.** It sets the child up for a broken spirit because they always must fulfill your agenda and expectations.

■ **Ignoring the emotional and spiritual life.** Without nurturing our children through conversation and being together, kids build relationships outside the family. Gangs serve that purpose nicely.

If the child isn't valued and heard at home, dollars to doughnuts they'll find another place to be accepted.

How'd you do?

To learn more about being a better parent, try attending parenting workshops. They not only work, but you find others there who are also committed to being the best parents possible.

Numerous parenting workshops will be starting this fall. Call the Family Resource Center at (734) 595-2279 to get on its mailing list.

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That's no doctor ... that's my dog

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Bailey, a 3 1/2-year-old golden retriever, might not have a Ph.D. in medicine or even a laboratory coat but still has some healing powers modern medicine can't compete with.

She helps Alzheimer's patients with memory difficulties remember their childhood dogs, brings smiles to patients who haven't smiled in weeks and helps relieve stress for most humans who come into contact with her.

Bailey belongs to Julie and Richard Esker of Livonia and brings her healing powers about three times a month to Farmington Hills' Botsford General Hospital, where she visits with patients in a recreational therapy program.

She is part of the Farmington Hills-based "Dr. Paws" program, which links lovable canines with

patients needing a dose of medicine that can't be found in a pill or syrup. Dogs passing the program's screenings are labeled "certified therapy dogs" via special dog tags.

"It really brightens their days," Julie Esker said of the patients after getting a dose of unconditional affection from dogs like hers.

Bailey went to a nursing home recently to visit Julie's grandfather and received rave reviews from other residents.

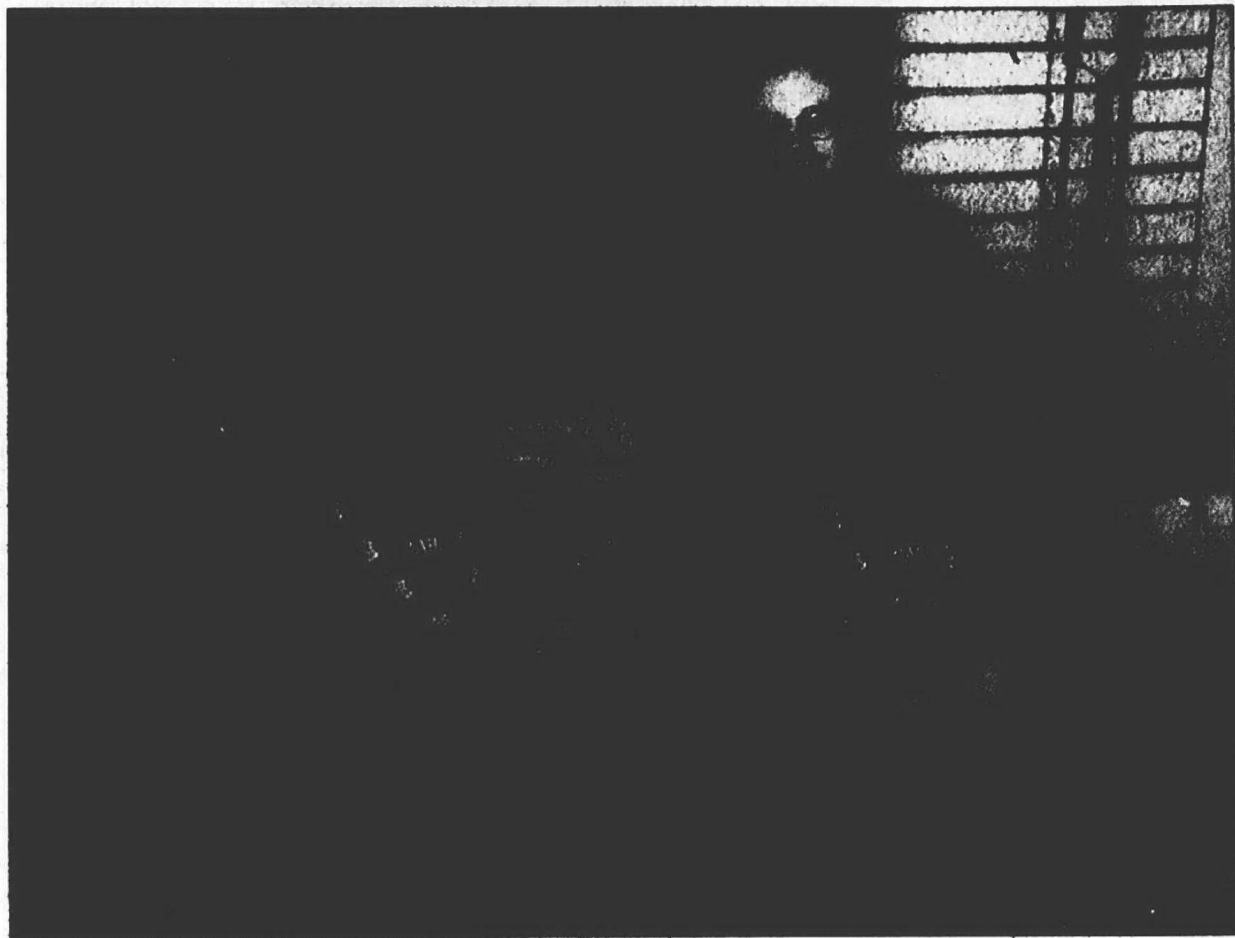
"The patients were just so excited to have a dog visit them," she said.

Some recent studies have shown that patients benefit from the attention of pets. The obvious benefit is they bring smiles to people's faces, but they can actually help reduce blood pressure as well, according to Theresa Seraceno, who heads the Dr. Paws program, a subdivision of Therapy Dogs Inc. She works for Botsford as a secretary of nursing administration.

Dr. Paws was founded six years ago and has since trained 50 dogs and expanded into hospitals across Michigan. The dogs visit Botsford patients two Tuesdays and one Saturday monthly.

Esker said she decided to get involved after seeing the Dr. Paws float in last year's Farmington Founders Festival parade. She wrote down the number and decided Bailey was a good candidate.

The Eskers' keep framed photographs of both of



The doctor is in the dog house: Julie and Richard Esker have turned their golden retriever, Bailey (at left), into a "therapy dog" for the Dr. Paws program and hope to include their other dog, Casey, after she gets a little older.

their dogs - Bailey and her younger sister Casey, 1 1/2 - throughout their home. The snapshots chronicle the dogs' lives from fuzzy puppyhood to their current ages.

"Our family has a hard time telling them apart," she said of the two golden retrievers.

Bailey, described by Esker as a "naughty puppy" took obedience classes and later passed the tests for Dr. Paws. Animals in the program must be observed on three separate one-hour sessions as they interact with other animals, people and the patients. In addition, they must be calm in situations involving

wheelchairs, Esker said.

Bailey passed the test, and if all goes well, could be joined by her baby sister, Casey, 1 1/2, in the program. Esker said it's still too early to put the rambunctious pooch into the program.

"Maybe we'll try her next summer," she said. Casey hasn't had obedience classes but has learned some obedience basics from her big sister - such as walking on a leash.

To volunteer yourself and your dog for Dr. Paws, call (248) 888-7488.

Couples celebrate 100 years of marriage

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM
STAFF WRITER

For Nick and Mary Markes of Livonia, who have been married for 50 years, the secret to a long, happy marriage is remaining friends with your spouse.

"I guess we just like each other," Mary said. "We just try and be considerate of each other. We disagree, but we don't fight."

From the moment Nick Markes and Mary Krall took their vows in front of more than 500 guests at the First Hungarian Lutheran Church in Detroit on May 7, 1949, they knew they were entering a life-long commitment.

"That's what you did a long time ago," Mary said.

It appears to be a commitment shared by their two children, Ted and Karen, who celebrate 25 years of marriage this summer. Karen married Gerry Deren on May 3, 1974 and Ted married Patricia June 29, 1974. Both couples live in Livonia.

"It was a hectic time," Mary recalled.

Karen and Gerry have three children, Christopher - who recently were married in Las Vegas - Nicholas and Kelley. Ted and Patricia have two children, Sandra Chapman and Wendy Markes, who had the Marks' first great-grandchild, Kayla, in December.

A five-generation photograph was taken and included Mary, her mother Elizabeth Krall, Ted, Wendy and Kayla.



Break out the silver and gold: Mary and Nick Markes were married in 1949 (at left) and celebrated their 50th anniversary this year (at right). Their children, Ted and Karen, also celebrated wedding anniversaries this year; their 25ths.



Valuable lessons

Karen, who has never really even given much thought how her parents' marital stability has influenced her, says the key to weathering years of living with the same person is tolerance.

"All I know is you've got to put up with a lot of stuff from both ends," she said, adding that Gerry has had to learn to endure her flaws and she has to live with his.

When they were newlyweds, his job kept him away for roughly three weeks

out of every month. He still travels frequently for the computer company he works for, but they've learned to appreciate the brief time they have together.

"It's our quality time," Karen said.

Ted says he learned the value of communicating with wife Patricia from his parents.

"We've certainly been able to sit down and talk things out," he said. "I got that from my parents. If they had problems, they talked them out."

Just after Ted's and Karen's nuptials, the Markeses celebrated their

■ **'We just try and be considerate of each other. We disagree, but we don't fight.'**

Mary Markes
—Livonia resident

25th anniversary. But when the gifts were unwrapped and the honeymoons were finished, the house became emptier.

"All of a sudden the house got real quiet," Nick said.

Not so this time around. The Markeses gave their children the gift of blackjack and slot machines for their anniversary - all wrapped up in a trip to Soaring Eagle Casino and Resort in Mt. Pleasant.

"It was expensive but beautiful," Nick said of the hotel.

Nice pool

Karen was awestruck by the resort's pool, even though she thought the water was too cold, and the hotel was quiet considering its proximity to a noisy casino. Gerry, however, marveled at hearing music while he swam.

"You never heard the casino until you walked into it," Karen said.

Ted said the trip was a special treat - because it was something he and his wife had talked about doing for some time.

The children threw their parents an anniversary party June 11 at the Holy

Please see MARRIAGE, B5

Model train show chugs into church

The St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church Men's Club and the Train Collectors Association will host a train show 1-4 p.m. Sunday, July 18, at the church, at West Chicago and Inkster in Redford. Admission is \$2 per person or \$5 per family.

Participants can have their trains tested by the Trenton Train Club and see four train layouts in operation. The show will also feature a train parts dealer.

G&G Hobbies from Jackson will display a garden railroad setup.

Dealers from five states with train and toy items to buy and swap will showcase their wares on 200 tables. Door prizes will be given away every hour.

Prizes include train sets ready to run. Food and beverages will be sold.

For more information, contact Ray Nikolai at (313) 277-2419.



Hey Ray: Show host Ray Nikolai shows off one of the many different trains that will be available for purchase. For more details, call (313) 277-2419.

RELIGION CALENDAR

Listings for the Religious News should be submitted in writing no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue. They can be mailed to 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or by fax at (734) 591-7279. For more information, call (734) 953-2131.

ST. MARY ORTHODOX

St. Mary Orthodox Church of Livonia hosts the 13th Holy and Righteous Apostle Ignatius IV, patriarch of Antioch and all the east, on Sunday, July 18. Ignatius will be accompanied by Metropolitan Philip, primate of the Antiochian orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America, Metropolitan Elias Awdeh of Beirut, Lebanon and the Right Reverend Bishop Demetri, auxiliary to Metropolitan Philip. The public is invited to attend a ceremony at 1:30 p.m. Sunday. Call (734) 422-0010.

GARDEN CITY PRESBYTERIAN

Garden City Presbyterian Church will hold an outdoor service 11 a.m. Sunday, July 18, in the large pavilion at Garden City Park, Cherry Hill and Merriman. The service will be casual and a picnic potluck will follow. There will be games for the youth. For more information, call the church office at (734) 421-7620.

FAIR HAVEN BAPTIST

The Fair Haven Baptist Church, 43850 Marquette in Westland, continues its fifth annual Summer Bible Conference 7 p.m. to 8:15 Wednesday, July 21. The Rev. Chris Anderson of the Riverview Baptist Church in Murfreesboro, Tenn. will preach. Child care will be provided to those 3 and younger. Call (734) 728-4549.

SINGLE POINT

Single Point Ministries of Ward Presbyterian Church will host a summer divorce recovery workshop 7-8:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, July 12-16, and 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, July 17, at the church. The cost is \$25 in advance or \$30 for those who register the first night and \$15 for those who are repeating the workshop and have the books. Free child care will be provided.

The ministry also has volleyball at 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Rotary Park in Livonia, a Lighthouse Cafe (coffee house) that meets 7-9:30 p.m. in Knox Hall the fourth Friday of the month (cost is \$5), outdoor tennis

4:30 p.m. until dark Tuesdays and Thursdays, at 1 Saturdays and 1-5 p.m. Sundays at Rotary Park and biking to various locations at 10 a.m. Saturdays at the church. For more information, call (248) 374-5920.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Worldwide Marriage Encounter offers a weekend experience for married couples to improve their communication skills, learn the value of intimacy and renew their love for each other July 16-18 and Sept. 24-26 at the St. John's Family Life Center, 44011 Five Mile, Plymouth Township. The registration fee is \$50. Call Bill and Carol at (248) 528-2612 or Dan and Debbie at (810) 286-5524 or visit this Web site: www.rc.net/detroit/wmme.

NEW BEGINNINGS

Charli Johnston will discuss "Healing through Journaling" when New Beginnings, a grief support group, meets at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 5, at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile, east of Merriman, Livonia. The program is for people suffering as the result of the death of a loved one. There are no fees. Anyone may attend any or all sessions as they feel the need. For more information, call the church office at (734) 422-6038, Marilyn Wilkinson at (248) 380-7903, or Rosemary Kline at (734) 462-3770.

TAI CHI CLASSES

The Taoist Tai Chi Society, a non-profit charitable organization is offering Tai Chi classes at 7 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays at Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia, Nardin Park United Methodist Church, 29887 11 Mile Road, Farmington Hills, and St. Paul United Methodist Church, 165 E. Square Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills. Tai Chi is a complete and integrated exercise which works all of the body's systems deeply and gently, making it an exercise suitable for people of all ages and conditions of health. For more information, call the Taoist Tai Chi Society at (248) 332-1281.

CONFIDENTIAL HELP

Have a problem? Need to talk? Life Care Ministries of Livonia offers a free, confidential and anonymous

Christian telephone listening service 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Call (734) 427-LIFE.

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

Northville Christian School is holding open enrollment for preschool to eighth grade classes at the school, 41365 Six Mile Road, Northville. Preschool has morning and afternoon sessions for 3-4-year-olds. Kindergarten is a full day program three days a week. All grades have a strong academic, biblically-based environment. For more information, call (248) 348-9031.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School, 20815 Middlebelt Road, Farmington Hills, is accepting applications for enrollment in preschool through eighth grade in the upcoming school year. The school offers full day kindergarten, small class sizes, structured environment, "Saxon Math" and "Accelerated Reader" programs, computers in every classroom, competitive athletics, sports clinics and before- and after-school care. For more information, call (248) 474-2488.

St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 17810 Farmington Road in Livonia, is accepting applications for enrollment in the 1999-2000 school year. The preschool/prekindergarten program for children who will be age 4 on or before Dec. 1 meets 9:15-11:45 a.m. or 12:15-2:45 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. The preschool program for children age 3 on or before Dec. 1 and completely toilet trained meets 9:15-11:45 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday. A combination 3-4-year-old class (age 3 on or before Dec. 1 and completely toilet trained or age 4 between July 1 and Dec. 1 and not previously enrolled in preschool) meets 12:15-2:45 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday. For tuition fees or more information, call (734) 421-1470.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

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PLYMOUTH BAPTIST

Plymouth Baptist Church will have its vacation Bible school, "In Search of Victory (Putting on the Armor of God)," 9:15 a.m. to noon July 19-23 at the church, 42021 Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. Children age 4 through sixth-grade will learn about the invisible armor that God offers His children to help them resist Satan. Activities will include Bible stories, songs, crafts, games, snacks and puppet shows. The closing program and a carnival will be at 6 p.m. July 25. There is no charge, however, a freewill offering will be taken to support the Collins family, short-term missionaries to Bangladesh. For more information, call the church office at (734) 453-5534.

GRACE LUTHERAN

Grace Lutheran Church's vacation Bible school occurs 9-11:45 a.m. July 19-28 at the church, 25630 Grand River in Redford. Under the theme of "Jungle Journey," youngsters age 3 through those who have completed sixth grade will explore God's promises in the gospel according to St. Matthew. There will be Bible lessons, a neighborhood parade, balloon launch, non-perishable food collection for local agencies, crafts, music, snacks, prizes and a closing program at 7 p.m. July 28. For more information, call the church at (313) 532-2266.

GARDEN CITY FIRST UM

Garden City First United Methodist Church will have its vacation Bible school, "Jungle Journey," 9 a.m. to noon July 26-30 at the church, 6443 Merriman at Maplewood, Garden City. The school is for children ages 4 through sixth-graders. On July 30, there will be a picnic noon-1 p.m. for the children and staff and a closing program, followed by an ice cream social for families and friends at 7 p.m. For more information or a registration form, call the church at (734) 421-8628.

UNITY CHURCH

Unity Church of Livonia is accepting registration for Kid's Camp '99 9 a.m. to noon July 26-29 at the church, Five Mile east of Middlebelt. The camp is for children ages 5-11 and will include crafts, songs, games, exploration of Mother Earth and more. There is no fee, however, an offering will be accepted. For more information, call the church at (734) 421-1760.

ROSEDALE GARDENS

Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church will have its vacation Bible school, Treasure Hunt Bible Adventure, 9:30 a.m. to noon Aug. 2-6 at the church, 9601 Hubbard, Livonia. Each day, children will sing songs, play team building games, nibble treats from Treasure Treats, visit a rain forest, dig into Bible adventures and create Craft Cave creatures to take home and play with. One day, children will join the Disciple Peter walking on water and another day be thrown onto a prison ship with the Apostle Paul. Each day will conclude with a Treasure Time finale to celebrate what they have learned. For more information, call the church at (734) 422-0494.

TIMOTHY LUTHERAN

Timothy Lutheran Church will have its vacation Bible school, "The Great Bibleland Dig," 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays, July 14 and 21 and Aug. 4, 11 and 18, at the church 8820 Wayne Road, Livonia. A light supper will be served at 6 p.m., followed by the program for those age 2 through adults. There is no charge, but registration is required by June 30. For more information, call the church office at (734) 427-2290.

CHURCH OF THE SAVIOR

Church of the Savior, Reformed Church in America, will have its vacation Bible school for children in pre-kindergarten through fifth-grade 9-11:30 a.m. Aug. 2-6 at the church, 38100 W. Five Mile, Livonia. The theme will be "A Jungle Journey," and there will be a review at 7 p.m. Aug. 5 and picnic for participants and their families 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Aug. 6. The deadline for registering is July 26. For more information, call (248) 888-8480 or (734) 464-1062.

CITY OF PLYMOUTH REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Notice is hereby given that the City of Plymouth, Michigan will accept sealed proposals until 4:30 p.m. on Friday, August 6, 1999 for:

CITY ATTORNEY SERVICES

Specifications are available at the City Manager's Office, 201 S. Main, Plymouth, MI 48170.

The City of Plymouth reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, in whole in part, and to waive any irregularities.

CAROL A. STONE
Admin. Services Dir.

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for **Carpet Replacement for Plymouth Salem High School**. Specifications and Bid Forms are available for pick-up at the front desk of the E.J. McClendon Educational Center located on 454 South Harvey, Plymouth, MI between the hours of 7:30 am and 4:00 pm weekdays. A walkthrough is set for Monday, July 19, 1999 at 7:00 am. Technical questions should be directed to Brian Goby, PCCS Procurement & Project Analysis Coordinator, at (734) 416-2953. Sealed bids are due on or before 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 20th, 1999. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

Board of Education
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools
ROLAND THOMAS, Secretary

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SPOTLIGHT ON YOUR PET

Veterinary Notes

by **Elizabeth Routson, D.V.M.**

CATS & ABSCESSSES

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WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

Sullivan-Brown

Philip E. Sullivan and Kimberly R. Brown were married June 12 at Faith Chapel on Jekyll Island, Ga., by the Rev. Cletus Pipher.

The bride is the daughter of Richard and Diana Brown of Canton. The groom is the son of Terry and Kathy Sullivan of Clinton Township.

The bride is an employee of American Title Works in Livonia.

The groom is a graduate of a Macomb Community College. He is employed by Bestsource Credit Union in Waterford.

The bride asked Jessica Brown to serve as her maid of honor, with Candy Brown-Proctor and Kim Steffey as bridesmaids.

The groom asked James Chris-



tiani to serve as best man, with Martin Sullivan and Tim Sullivan as groomsmen.

The couple received guests at Jekyll Island Club House Hotel on Jekyll Island where they honeymooned. They are making their home in Southfield.

Williams-Moss

Ed and Carol Williams of Novi announce the engagement of their daughter, Rebecca Lee, to Todd Michael Moss of Garden City, the son of Martha Moss of Garden City and the late Chet Moss.

The bride-to-be is a 1993 graduate of Central Michigan University. She is employed as an information technology consultant at Stopka and Associates.

Her fiancé is a graduate of the University of Michigan-Dearborn and has completed his master of business administration degree program at Wayne State University. A lieutenant commander in the Naval Reserve, he



is a supervisor at Blue Cross Blue Shield.

A January wedding is planned at Faith Baptist Church in Dearborn Heights.

Hawkins-Haggard

Marian Elizabeth Haggard and Chester Hawkins were married June 26 at Slide Rock State Park in Sedona, Ariz. The Revs. Don and Arlene Davis officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Wallace and Joan Haggard of Livonia. The groom is the son of Don and Mary Loebel of West Palm Beach, Fla.

The bride is a 1983 graduate of Livonia Bentley High School and a 1994 graduate of Eastern Michigan University. She is employed as an associate editor at Home Planners Inc. in Tucson, Ariz.

The groom is a graduate of Meade Senior High School at Ft. Mead, Md., and studied in Washington, D.C. and Syracuse, N.Y. He also is employed at Home Planners Inc.

The bride and groom asked Regina Irwin and Brenda Hawkins to serve as their attendants.



The couple received guests at a reception at the Slide Rock Lodge before leaving on a hiking trip in the mountains of New Mexico.

They are marking their home in Tucson.

Barnett-Papciak

Kevin Ross Barnett and Laurie Anne Papciak were married April 10 in Phoenix, Ariz., by the Rev. Guy Davidson.

The bride is the daughter of Edward Papciak of Novi and the late Marie Papciak. The groom is the son of George and Jackie Barnett of Phoenix.

The bride is 1986 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School and a 1991 graduate of Western Michigan University with a bachelor of business administration degree in accounting and human resources. She is employed by Deloitte Consulting as an SAP consultant.

The groom is a 1981 graduate of Arcadia High School in Phoenix and a 1986 graduate of Arizona State University with a bachelor of business administration degree in marketing. He is employed by ASM Lithography in Tempe, Ariz., as an SAP business process controller.

The bride asked Cathy Kam-sickas to serve as her maid of honor with Stephanie Spade and



Carol Hubert as bridesmaids, Rebecca Barnett as junior bridesmaid and Courtney Barnett as flower girl.

The groom asked Frank Weaver to serve as his best man, with Joshua Spade and Keith Spade as groomsmen.

The couple received guests at Awatukee Foothills Golf Club in Phoenix before leaving on a honeymoon trip to the Great Barrier Reef in Australia. They are making their home in Chandler, Ariz.

Liske-Clark

Candace Elena Clark and Steven R. Liske were married May 15 at the Grosse Pointe Academy Chapel by the Rev. George Miller from the Archdiocese Tribunal.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. and Mrs. James L. Clark of Livonia. The groom is the son of Kay Liske of Garden City and Gerald Liske of Leonard.

The bride is a graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and Ferris State University. She is employed by Detroit Medical Center as the leasing acquisition representative.

The groom is a graduate of Garden City High School. He is the owner of Contrast Building in Southfield.

The bride asked Katie Besneatte Bradley to be her maid of honor. Charli Bradley



was the flower girl.

The groom asked Dale Liske and Michael Liske to serve as best men. Kevin Liske was the ring bearer.

The couple received guests at the Detroit Yacht Club and took a honeymoon trip to the Hawaiian island of Maui. They are making their home in Southfield.

Lemieux-Bianchi

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Lemieux of Farmington Hills announce the engagement of their daughter Christine to Frank Bianchi III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bianchi Jr. of Redford.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Western Michigan University and an occupational therapist at Beaumont Hospital.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Schoolcraft College and a production manager at Questech.

An October wedding is planned in Canton.



Lenox-Plagens

Hank and Nancy Plagens of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Lynn, to Keith Michael Plagens, the son of George and Lillian Plagens of Dearborn Heights.

The bride-to-be is a 1992 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and a 1997 graduate of Michigan State University with a bachelor of arts in interior design. She is currently employed at Hobbs & Black, Architects, in Ann Arbor as an associate director of the interior design and architecture department.

Her fiancé is a 1992 graduate of Divine Child High School and a 1998 graduate of Kettering University with a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering. He is employed at the



Ford Motor Co. as a vehicle development engineer in Powertrain Operations.

A June wedding is planned at Kirk in the Hills Presbyterian Church in West Bloomfield.

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CALENDAR

WEEKEND

OSTEOPOROSIS SCREENING
 Oakwood Healthcare Center offers osteoporosis screening 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, July 24, at 7300 Canton Center Road, Canton. Cost is \$10. OHA members are \$5. This event is open to the public and is free to authorized Head Start and Oakwood Healthcare Plan members. To register call, (800) 543-WELL.

BOBBIN LACE EXHIBIT

The Plymouth Community Arts Council will showcase the lacework of the Great Lakes Group Inc., a non-profit organization of lace makers across the U.S. and abroad. The display, featuring handmade bobbin lace and tatting projects made by members of the GLLGI, is open to the public through Saturday, July 25, at the JWH Center for the Arts, located at 774 N. Sheldon Road, Plymouth. Call (734) 416-4278.

SUMMER BIRD HIKES

Maybury State Park in Northville Township hosts bird identification hikes throughout the year. The next hike begins 8 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 14, at the riding stable parking area on Beck Road, 1/4 mile south of Eight Mile Road. These hikes provide a chance to observe bird species seen in the park, and record dates, locations and trends from year to year. Each hike lasts one to two hours. The hikes are open to all, regardless of birding experience. Dress for the weather and bring along binoculars if you have them. Call (248) 349-8390.

FARMER'S MARKET

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce sponsors Plymouth's Farmers Market. 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturdays through Oct. 23, with the exception of Sept. 11. The market features fresh produce, dairy and cheese products, baked goods, flowers and plants, fresh herbs, dried flowers, crafts and seasonal items. Coffee and lemonade will be available. The outdoor market is held under the Gathering, across from Kellogg Park next to the Penn Theater in downtown Plymouth. Call (734) 453-1540.

AROUND TOWN

NACW MEETING
 The West Suburban Chapter of the National Association of Career Women's monthly meeting is 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 20, at Ernesto's, 41661 Plymouth Road, Plymouth. Cost is \$18 for members and \$22 for non-members. Guest speaker will be Cheryl Hagen of Central Michigan University. For reservations, call Tracey at (248) 347-3355.

MANDALA DRAWING

Plymouth Community Arts Council sponsors a

mandala drawing workshop 6-9 p.m. Thursday, July 22, at 774 N. Sheldon Road, Plymouth. No experience needed. Cost is \$35, which includes materials. To register, call (734) 416-4ART.

HEALTH SEMINARS

Henry Ford Medical Center in Plymouth offers two free health seminars this month on heart care and growing older. The seminars are: "Energizing Your Heart" 9:30-11 a.m. Thursday, July 22, and "Challenges of Growing Older" 9:30-11 a.m. Thursday, July 29, at 14300 Beck Road. Call (734) 453-5600 to register.

WORKSHOP

The Great Lakes Lace Group offers a children's workshop for boys and girls age 6-12 to introduce them to this handmade tradition from 10 a.m. to noon Friday, July 23, at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon Road, Plymouth. Denise Knight will teach a basic weaving technique that will enable students to take home a tiny project such as a snake-shaped bookmark. Cost is \$16. Call (734) 416-4278 to register.

SENIOR HEALTH LECTURE

Saint Joseph Mercy Health System and Dr. Bharate Srivastava present a series of free lectures devoted to seniors and their health. The next lecture is 1-2 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 11, at Canton's Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway. The topic will be health issues of women, including osteoporosis, breast cancer, uterine cancer and nutrition and exercise. Call (734) 397-5444.

JUNIOR GOLF LESSONS

Canton Parks and Recreation Services sponsors a series of golf lessons for people age 7-18. Classes will be assigned by age groups and skill levels. The lesson fee, \$50, includes instruction from PGA professionals, range balls, T-shirt and a certificate of completion. Classes are July 21 and 22.

CRANBROOK DINNER

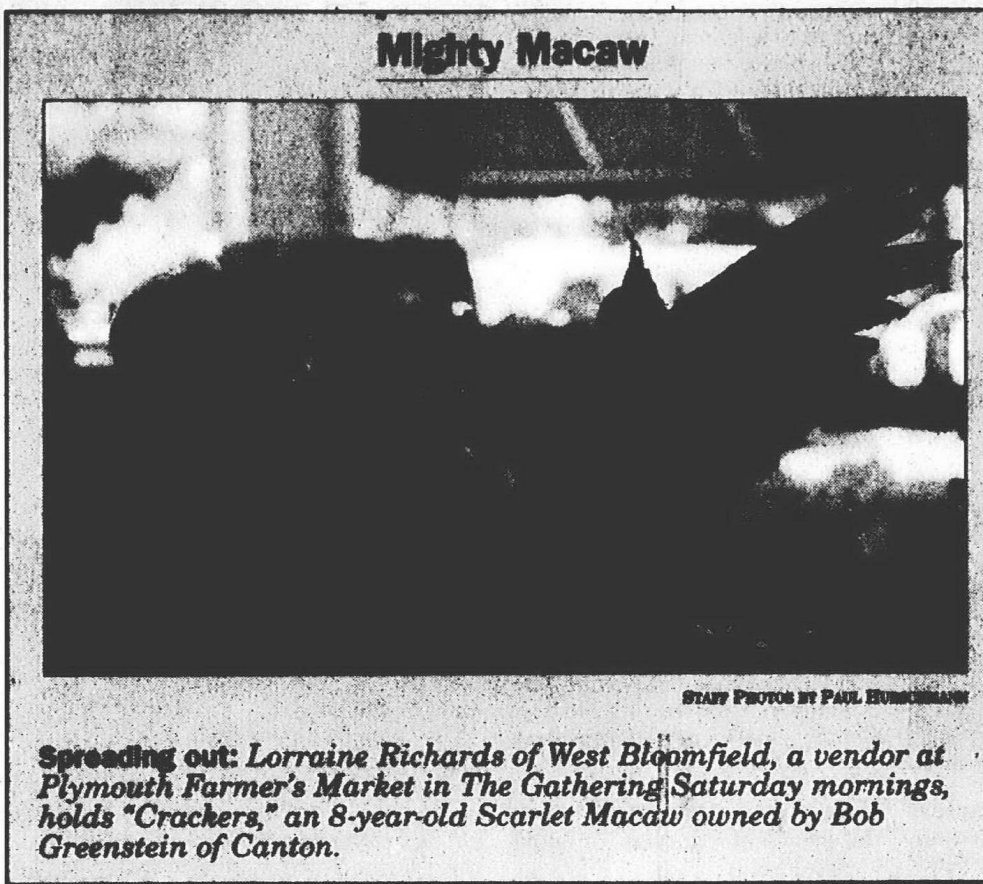
An elegant evening of music and dinner to benefit Cranbrook House and Gardens is set for 6:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 6. Cranbrook House and Gardens is at 380 Lone Pine, Bloomfield Hills. There is free parking at Christ Church, directly across Lone Pine with free shuttle service provided. In case of rain, many rooms of Cranbrook House will be open. For tickets, call (248) 645-3147.

SUMMER GRAIN HARVEST

The annual Summer Grain Harvest at Maybury Farm begins 2 p.m. Saturday, July 24. Learn how small grains and corn were harvested and processed in the past through demonstrations and hands-on activities. All activities take place in the Farm Demonstration Building.

PATIENT CARE CLASSES

Arbor Hospice offers a



Spreading out: Lorraine Richards of West Bloomfield, a vendor at Plymouth Farmer's Market in The Gathering Saturday mornings, holds "Crackers," an 8-year-old Scarlet Macaw owned by Bob Greenstein of Canton.

free six-session patient care class 5:30-8:30 p.m. Aug. 3-19 at the Arbor Hospice Residence, 2366 Oak Valley Drive, Ann Arbor. Participants will learn to provide support and limited care to terminally ill patients and their families. Class registration ends July 23. To register, call Esperanza Barcelona at (734) 662-5999 Ext. 143.

HUNTER'S SAFETY

The Canton Public Safety Department and Summit on the Park present the second annual Hunter's Safety Course 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Aug. 7-8. Participants must be at least 12 years of age. A Social Security number will be required at the time of registration. Check-in will start at 8:30 a.m. Class begins at 9 a.m. A parent/guardian meeting will be held prior to class. Bring a sack lunch and a drink. The class is held at Summit on the Park-Professional Development Center. The fee is \$20 resident/\$25 non-resident. Call (734) 397-5110.

SINGLES DANCES

Dances occur 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Fridays at Burton Manor in Livonia (Schoolcraft west of Inkster). Admission is \$4 before 8:30 p.m. and \$6 after. The dances are for people age 21 and over. No jeans. Call (734) 981-0909.

WALK IN THE PARK

Single Place Ministries of First Presbyterian Church of Northville holds a walk in Heritage Park 10 a.m. Saturdays. The park is on Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile. Call (248) 349-0911.

FLEA MARKET

The Canton Historical Society hosts a flea market, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 7, at Cherry Hill School at the corner of Cherry Hill and Ridge roads. A 10-by-10-foot space for vendors is \$15. Vendors must provide their own tables and chairs. The society will sell donated items inside the school. Donated items can be brought to the school noon to 4 p.m. Friday, Aug. 6. Call 981-1475.

TECHNO MASTERS CAMP

Day camp is held 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. July 26-30 at West Middle School for grades K-8. The cost is \$175, and students must bring a lunch. Call (734) 416-4927.

CAMP BORDERS

Camp Borders is a free 10-week program for children 7-12 years old. All metro area Borders stores will offer a variety of educational and cultural events every Thursday at 7 p.m.

CAMP INVENTION

A one-week science and creativity day camp is held at Isbister School 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Aug. 2-6. The camp is for grades 2-6 and costs \$180. Call (800) 968-IDEA.

ADOPT A DUCK

The first-ever "Great Canton Duck Derby" is fast approaching. Participants can "adopt" ducks for the Friday, Aug. 13, event at Heritage Park. Adopt ducks at the parks and recreation office at the Summit and at summer events such as concerts in the park. Cost is \$2 for one duck; \$5 for three ducks; or \$11 for seven ducks. Each duck will be entered in the derby and be eligible to win prizes including round-trip airline tickets, autographed sports memorabilia, a \$1,000 bond, camcorders, gift certificates and other items. Call (734) 397-5110.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce offers a 24-hour hotline of upcoming events. Call (734) 453-1540.

CRAFTERS NEEDED

Madonna University is accepting applications from crafters for its 15th annual "Holiday Arts & Crafts Showcase" 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 6-7, in the Activities Center on campus. Booth space measuring 9-by-6-

feet with two chairs, and one 6- or 8-foot table is available for \$50 for either Saturday or Sunday or \$90 for both days. Booths with electricity are an extra \$5. Call (734) 432-5603.

REGISTRATION

Garfield Co-op has openings for children 18 months to 5 years of age. Garfield Co-op is in Livonia, at Cass Elementary, 34633 Munger, south of Six Mile and west of Farmington Road. Call (734) 462-0135.

Suburban Children's Co-op Nursery has openings now in all classes for people 18 months through 5 years of age. Located in Livonia bordering Canton, Plymouth and Westland. Call April at (734) 522-8469.

SUPPORT GROUPS

CAMP MONARCH

The "My Nest is Best" pediatric program at Angela Hospice sponsors a family-oriented weekend camp. Camp Monarch is a bereavement camp designed for young people and their caregivers who have experienced the loss of a loved one. The camp begins at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 13 and ends noon Aug. 15. The cost of \$75 per family includes housing, meals and activities. However, Camp Monarch is open to every family regardless of its ability to pay. Call (734) 464-7810.

STARTING OVER

Starting Over is a group for widowed men and women younger than 45. Meetings are held the first and third Tuesday of the month at Plymouth Church of Christ. Call (734) 662-5999.

ARBOR HOSPICE

Arbor Hospice sponsors grief support programs open to the public. If you would like more information or would like to sign up, call (734) 662-5999.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUPS

Community Hospice and Home Care Services has a drop-in grief-support group that meets 6:30-8 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month. Call Becky Rouse at (734) 522-4244.

COUNTERPOINT

Counterpoint Shelter and Crisis Center offers free counseling and respite services for people age 10-17 and their families. Call (734) 563-5005.

ANGELA HOSPICE

Angela Hospice offers free monthly grief support groups for people who have experienced the loss of a loved one. All groups meet at the Angela Hospice Care Center in Livonia. For meeting dates and times, call Ruth Favor, (734) 464-7810.

VOLUNTEER WORK

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Plymouth-Canton Head

Start, in Central Middle School, is looking for volunteers to help in the classroom with large-group activities, assist children during recess, participate in the Learning Centers and assist during meal times. If you have a morning or afternoon free, Monday through Thursday, call 416-6196.

Hospices of Henry Ford Health System needs volunteers in Canton and Plymouth. Volunteers can help by visiting patients, either at their home or a nursing home, to offer emotional support, companionship and comfort. Call (313) 582-2382.

William Beaumont Hospital Hospice is looking for volunteers to support the care of people with terminal illness and their families. Call (248) 853-8931.

The Department of Veterans Affairs Ann Arbor Healthcare System has a variety of summer volunteer opportunities available for students age 12-19. Teens may help with patient transport, office support and information desk staffing. Call Beverly Lenesi at (734) 761-7995.

Arbor Hospice is seeking a student corps of volunteers to help the agency during the summer months as it plans its annual "Charity Affair" fund-raiser. The agency is looking for people who can devote five or more hours per week, have transportation and would enjoy talking to local businesses and corporations. Call Betty Stremich at (734) 662-5999 Ext. 118.

CANCER SOCIETY

American Cancer Society needs volunteers. Call (248) 557-5353, Ext. 336.

ALZHEIMER'S

The Alzheimer's Association is seeking volunteers to provide companionship to people experiencing memory loss. Call Adam Sterling, (248) 557-8277.

CLUBS

MOTHERS OF MULTIPLES

The Plymouth-Canton Mothers of Multiples Club meets 7 p.m. the first and third Monday of each month. Call Barb at (734) 207-5224. Play group meets every other Tuesday. Call Sue at (734) 459-9324.

COUNTY CONNECTION CHORUS

County Connection Chorus of Sweet Adelines International, a women's chorus singing four-part harmony barbershop style, is always looking for new members. Join us for rehearsals every Tuesday in Ypsilanti, 7:00 p.m. Call (734) 480-8843 for more information.

STAMPS CLUB

Meetings of the West Suburban Stamp Club are the first and third Fridays at 8:00 p.m. at the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton. Website is <http://www.oeonline.com/pnj/wssc.html>.

CAMPUS NOTES

Items for Campus Notes are welcome from the Plymouth community. Items should be addressed in writing to: Campus Notes, c/o Plymouth Observer, 794 South Main Street, Plymouth, Michigan 48170 or faxed to (313) 459-4224.

PHI BETA KAPPA

The Detroit Association of Phi Beta Kappa honored 3,200 graduating seniors from southeastern Michigan who maintained a grade point average of 3.75. Honorees from Plymouth Canton High School include: Anil Abraham, Heidi Anderson, Sarah Anderson, Stephen Antonucci, Katherine Bak, Ahmed Baset, Mollika Basu, Brandon Bernacki, Anuradha Bhama, Libby Birschmeyer, Emily Bonneau, Rachel Bozang,

Christine Broda, Josephina Chang, Wheatley Coleman, Matthew Compton, Jennifer Cornellier, Robert Demick, Matthew Derda, Keith Dormitorio, Elizabeth Elsner, Carla Freshwater, Joy Garrett, Carolyn Givens, Lindsay Godin, Kelly Griffin, Teri Hansen, Neha Holani, Daniel Holland, Christopher Houdek, Gretchen Hudson, Molly Hylund, Lauri Karol, Melody Kindraka, Derek Klemm, Lisa Kosian, Bryan Kulczycki, Richtee Kumar, Amber Law, Dana Lobelle, Kristin Lyman, Rima Makhawala, Samip Mallick, Julie McGuire, Kirt McKee, Rebecca Mize, Kathryn Mokienco, Lindsay Montry, Kelly Moore, Andrew Nouna, Vicki Palis, Kelly

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ALBION DEAN'S LIST

Sophomores Theron R. Stinar of Canton and Lindsay M. Miller of Plymouth; juniors Laura M. Kogut of Canton, Michael J. Kowalski of Canton and Laurel L. Weinman of Plymouth; and seniors Daniel P. Kogut of Canton, William B. Lamborne of Canton, Donald S. Miller of Plymouth, and Claire E. Walton of Plymouth were

all recently named to the dean's list at Albion College.

KALAMAZOO GRADS

Kelly A. Collins of Plymouth, Lisa R. Bares of Plymouth, Melissa A. Cook of Canton, and Jaime A. Strauch of Canton received undergraduate degrees on June 12 from Kalamazoo College. Both Bares and Collins graduated cum laude, while Cook graduated magna cum laude.

NORTHWESTERN

Derek Lapinski, son of Bruce and Chris Lapinski of Canton, has been accepted to Northwestern College to major in the automotive/diesel technician program. Lapinski attended Plymouth Salem High School.

CALENDAR FORM

The Plymouth Observer welcomes Calendar items. Items should be from non-profit community groups or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print the information below and mail your item to The Calendar, Plymouth Observer, 794 South Main Street, Plymouth, MI 48170, or by fax to 734-459-4224. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the following Thursday's paper. Call 459-2700 if you have any questions.

Event: _____

Date and Time: _____

Location: _____

Telephone: _____

Additional info.: _____

Use additional sheet if necessary

Marriage from page B1

Cross Lutheran Church, which was attended by 50 family members and friends.

When they met

Native Detroiters Nick and Mary met Oct. 4, 1947, at a dance in Riverview. Nearly two years later, they were married. A short piece in the local newspaper announced their nuptials in terms of school rivalry - Mary graduated from Detroit's Southwestern High School and Nick was an alumnus of rival Detroit Western High School.

The article reported that the two had put their "differences" aside and were getting married.

They moved to Livonia in 1959, where they have lived ever since. In their spare time, they drive and restore their two Model A Fords.

The Markeses have been in the Model A Restorers Club since the early 1970s. They have several photographs of themselves in 1930s-era clothing, standing in front of the Model A's.

They even staged a 1931 wedding in 1985 at Greenfield Village, dressed in wedding clothes from the Depression era. The mock wedding photo won a contest, putting their image on the cover of a Model A magazine.

"We're into this pretty heavy," Mary said. "We have a good time."

Big fight

That wasn't quite the case in 1974 when Nick bought his first Model A from a neighbor. It sparked one of the couple's most heated arguments.

"I didn't talk to him for three days," Mary said. "I guess I spoke to him, but not very nicely."

The reason for her displeasure was the timing. The car was bought very close to the children's weddings.

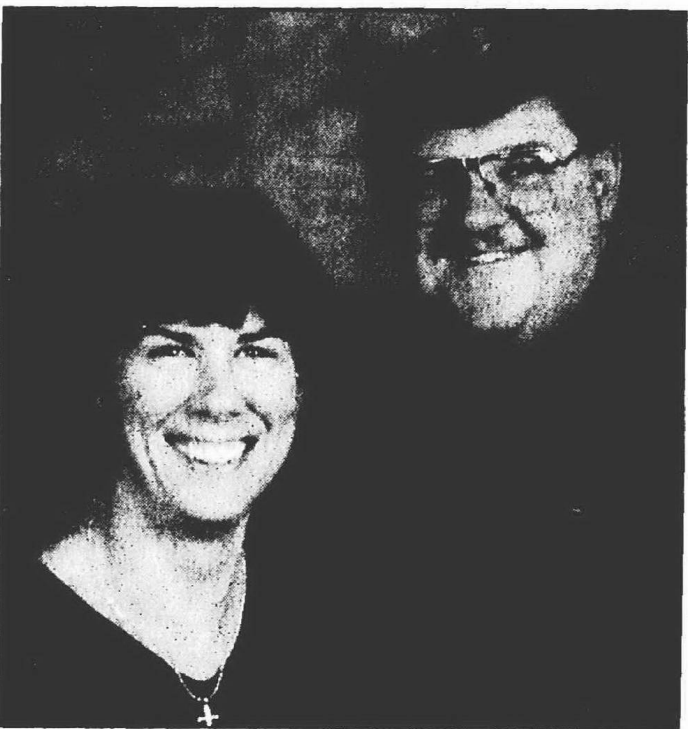
"She knew I was going to buy the car, but she didn't know when," said Nick, adding that it was more like two weeks that she didn't speak to him.

Despite the occasional disagreements, marital longevity seems to run in the Markese family.

If this trend continues, in 2024, Nick and Mary at ages 96 and 94 respectively could celebrate their 75th anniversary the same year as their children's 50th anniversaries and their grandchild's 25th anniversary, making for 225 years of wedded bliss.



Anniversary three-peat: Livonia residents Pat and Ted Markes (above) celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary this year, as do Ted's sister Karen (below) and her husband Gerry Deren (also Livonia residents). Ted and Karen's parents, Livonia residents Mary and Nick Markes, celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary this year.



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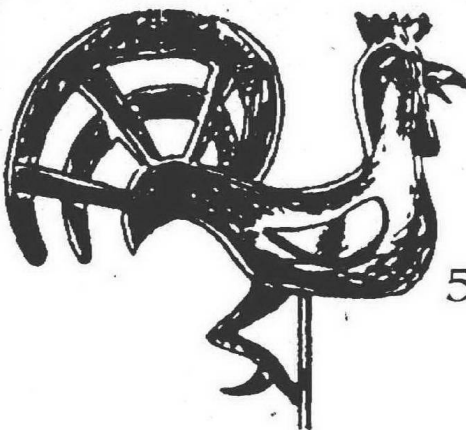
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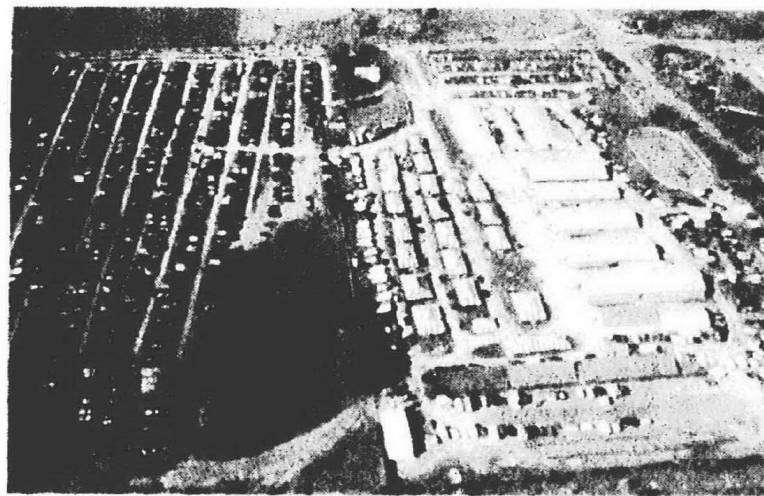
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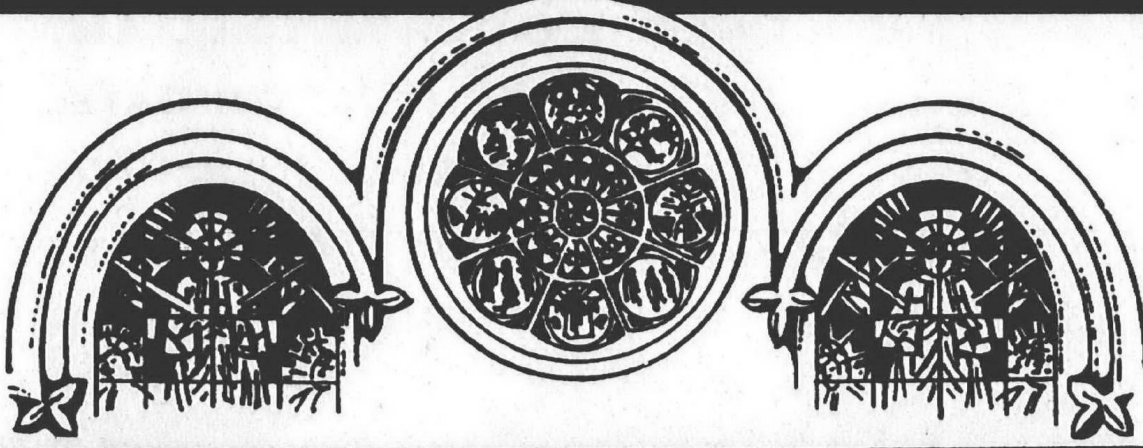
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Tee off for Habitat for Humanity

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM
STAFF WRITER

Habitat for Humanity of Western Wayne County is looking for a few good golfers who would like to donate to a cause that provides affordable homes to low-income residents.

Their second annual golf outing will begin with registration 7:15 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 22, at Inkster Valley Golf Course, Middlebelt north of Michigan Avenue, Inkster.

The cost is \$100 per golfer and includes 18 holes of golf with cart, continental breakfast, lunch and a steak dinner and awards presentation at 5:30 p.m.

For an additional tax deductible \$150, players can receive tee box signs and acknowledgment in the program. For \$500 (\$350 of which is tax deductible), donors get two golf packages, tee box or green sign, program acknowledgment and recognition at the awards presentation.

And for \$1,000, donors receive four golf packages, tee box and green signs, program acknowledgment, recognition at the awards presentation and course entry way signs.

For more information or to sign up, call Rob Stogdill, golf outing chairman, at (313) 873-0300 or (734) 261-7761 or Habitat for Humanity of Western Wayne County at (734) 432-7700.

There also will be contests, raffles and/or auctions to raise money for the Habitat for Humanity chapter.

Proceeds will benefit Habitat for Humanity. The first golf outing was held in 1997.

Stogdill hopes to get 100 golfers to participate in the outing. His fund-raising goal is \$10,000.

"There should be some good prizes and a real good time," Stogdill said.

Businesses also can help by

sponsoring holes or donating merchandise, gift certificates or discount coupons. Individuals may donate caps, T-shirts, merchandise and golf balls, among many other items. Donors will be recognized in the group's newsletter, which reaches 1,200 homes.

Habitat for Humanity is a 100 percent volunteer organization, and all proceeds go toward buying building materials and supplies, he said.

Western Wayne's Habitat for Humanity has already completed four homes and is expected to finish three more this summer. The homes are then sold to low-income residents at a reduced rate. All the Western Wayne Habitat homes are in Inkster.

For more information about Habitat for Humanity, call (734) 432-7700 or write to it at P.O. box 530484, Livonia 48154-0484. For more information about the golf outing, visit online.oeonline.com/habitat/.

CRAFTS CALENDAR

Listings for the Crafts Calendar should be submitted in writing no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue. They can be mailed to 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or by fax at (734) 591-7279. For more information, call (734) 953-2131.

ST. ELIZABETH
St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church is looking for crafters for its autumn arts and crafts show 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 18 at the church, 26431 W. Chicago, between Inkster and Beech Daly roads. To register, call Kathy at (313) 937-2880

ST. DAMIAN
Crafters are needed for St. Damian Parish's fall arts and crafts show. The show will be 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 16 at the church, 30055 Joy Road Westland. For more information, call (734) 421-6130.

ST. THEODORE
St. Theodore Catholic Church is looking for crafters for its annual craft show 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 16 in the Parish Social Hall, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland. Table rental is \$20. For more information, call Mary at (734) 425-4421.

ST. ROBERT BELLARMIN
Tables currently are available for St. Robert Bellarmine Church's 17th annual Christmas bazaar, slated for 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 23, at the church, West Chicago at Inkster roads, Redford. Table rental is \$25. For more information, call Joanne at (313) 937-0226 or Josie at (734) 522-2963.

DELTA KAPPA GAMMA
Crafters are needed for the 13th annual Delta

Kappa Gamma juried show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 23 at West Middle School, 44401 Sheldon Road, Plymouth. A single space is \$70 with table rental available and electricity free of charge. Call (734) 453-5145 for more information.

LIVONIA STEVENSON
The Livonia Stevenson High School Booster Club is accepting applications for its annual Holiday Happening Craft Show 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Nov. 6 at the high school, 33500 Six Mile Road, Livonia. A single space (booth) costs \$60. A limited number of spaces with electricity are available at no extra charge. For an application, call (248) 478-2395 or (734) 464-1041.

MADONNA UNIVERSITY
Madonna University is accepting applications from crafters for its 15th annual Holiday Arts and Crafts Showcase 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 6-7 in the Activities Center of its Livonia campus. Booth space measuring 9 feet by 6 feet with two chairs and a 6-by-8-foot table is available for \$50 for one day and \$90 for two days. Booths with electricity are limited and cost an additional \$5. Exhibitors may purchase up to three spaces. For an application or more information, call (734) 432-5603.

ST. EDITH
Crafters are needed for St. Edith School's fall show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 13 at the school, 15089 Newburgh Road, Livonia. Booth rental is \$40 for a 10-by-8-foot space. For more information, call Diana at (734) 462-6037 or Jo Ann at (734) 464-9370.

NEW VOICES

Bob and Colleen Antal of Westland announce the birth of **Brayden James** May 28 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. He joins one sibling, Taylor, 2. Grandparents are Joan and John Antal of Westland, Kathy and George Ackerman of Howell and Donna and Peter Hodde of Brighton.

Wilson and Maria Rodriguez of Garden City announce the birth of a son, **Brandon Wilson** June 2 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. He joins siblings Matthew, 12 1/2, Rachelle, 10 1/2, Sophia, 9 and Marlon, 5 1/2.

Anthony Gerhart and Erin Carter of Dearborn Heights announce the birth of Nicole Kathleen Gerhart May 4 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. She joins a sister, Alyssa Jordan, 4. Grandparents are Steve and Marie Gerhart and Wendy Gerhart, all of Dearborn Heights, and Randy Carter of Westland.

Matt Wasson and Tracey Risch of Garden City announce the birth of **Karina Ann-Alexandria Wasson** April 29 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. She joins one brother, Keith Risch, 7. Grand-

parents are Lloyd and Debbie Lambert and Mike and Donna Risch, all of Garden City.

Cornelius and LaShona Jenkins of Westland announce the birth of **Danayah Latrice** May 8 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. She joins siblings Dominique, 8, Darquan, 5, and DeZhané, 1. Grandparents are Mamie Hemmingway of Inkster and Jerome Jenkins of South Carolina.

Kim Agrusa and Robert Miller III of Detroit announce the birth of **Corbin Gregory Miller** May 9 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Beth O'Brien and Robert Miller II, both of Traverse City, and Sandy Agrusa of Garden City.

George and Angela Steeves of Canton announce the birth of **Aubrey Lynn** May 11 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. She joins three siblings - Nick, 10, Angel, 8, and Devin, 19 months. Grandparents are George and Karen Steeves of Farmington Hills, David and Stephanie Clark of Naples, Fla., and Nick and Sandy Sesan of Clarkston.

Dennis and Julie McHugh of Garden City announce the birth

of a son, **Colin Keith McHugh** May 10 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. He joins brother Nathan, 6 1/2. Grandparents are Donald and Patricia McHugh and Charles and Kathleen Hammell, all of Garden City.

Niko and Evis Lubonja of Westland announce the birth of a son **Michael Nicholes** May 17 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. He joins siblings Alexis and Sofia. Grandparents are Marika Lubonja, Valentina and Kostaq Dinella of Westland.

Patrick and Sharon Fenech of Livonia announce the birth of son **Brandon Garrett** April 18 at Providence Hospital in Southfield. Brandon joins four siblings - Patrick, 12, Natalie, 9, Brian, 7, and Stephen, 3. Grandparents are Joseph and Mildred Wojciechowski of Livonia and Yolanda Fenech of Farmington. The great-grandmother is Edna Cannizzaro of Livonia.

Jeffrey and Holly Wright of Plymouth announce the birth of **Emily Rose** on May 1. Grandparents are Dave and Cindy Courval of South Lyon and Lou and Sandy Wright of Plymouth.

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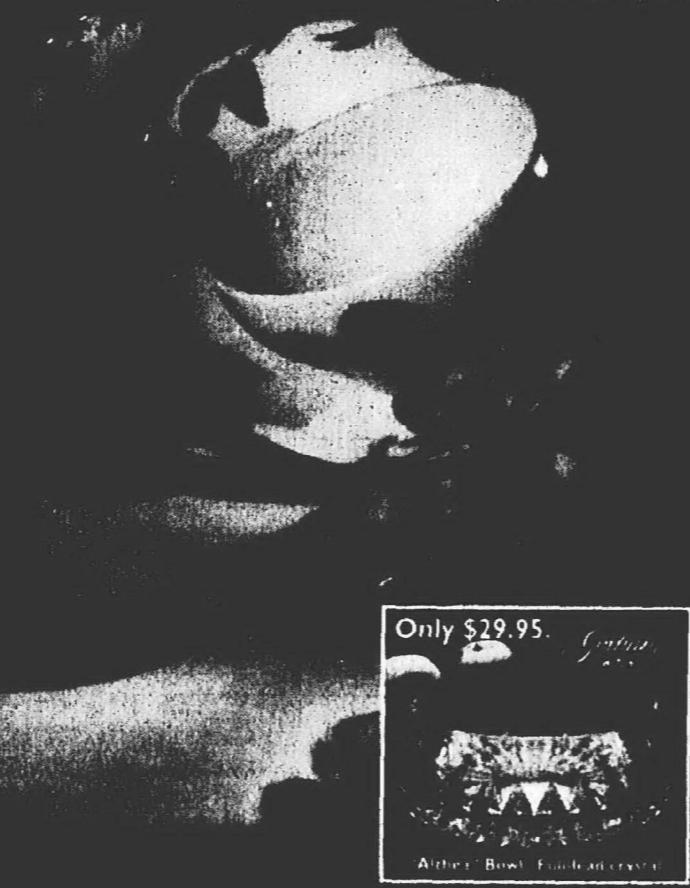
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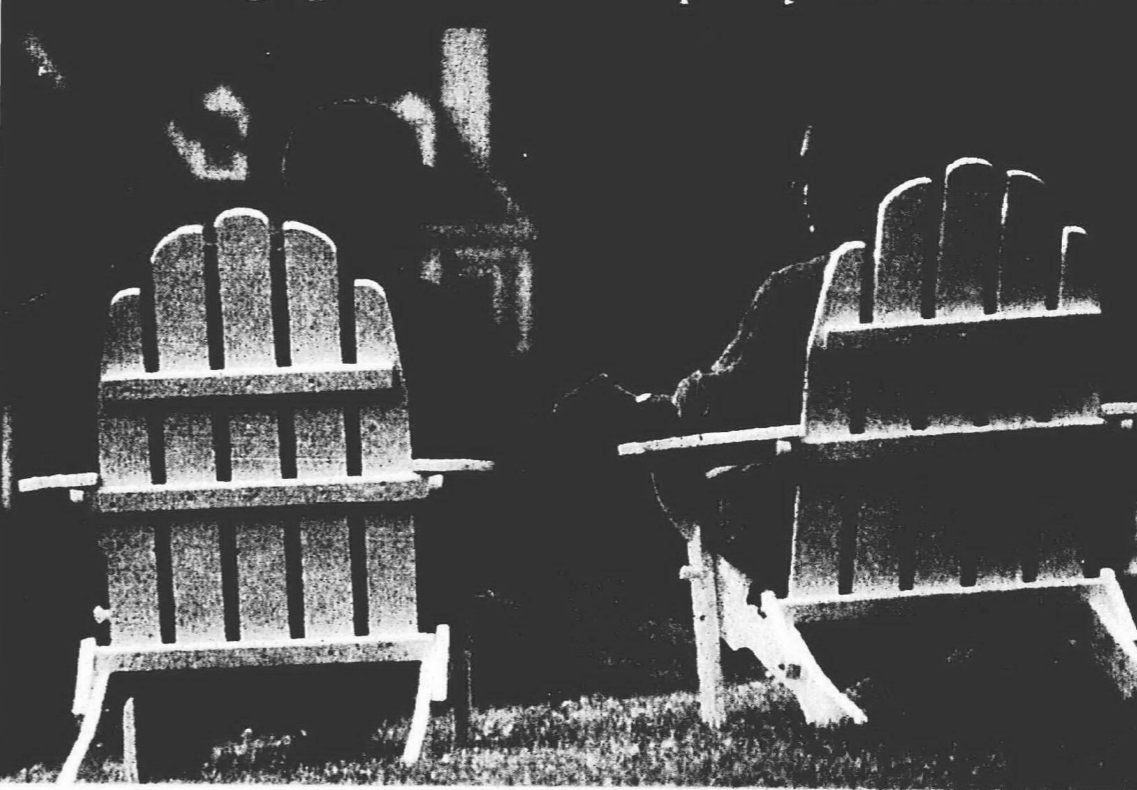
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ANNIVERSARIES

Fulton

Pastor Ross "Lucky" and Donna Fulton of Broham, Mich., celebrated their 50th anniversary at a July 10 open house, given by the children, at the Bitley-Broham Community Club.

The couple exchanged vows on May 13, 1949 in Plymouth. They lived in the area until they moved to Broham in 1965. He also is a 1947 graduate of Plymouth High School.

They have six married children - Ross Jr. and wife Maryhelen, Kathleen and husband William, Randy and husband Tim, Violet and husband Kerry, Rusty and wife Diane and Rich and wife Kim. They also have 15 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.



Reeves

Harlan and LaVerna Reeves of Westland celebrated their 50th anniversary July 10 in a gathering at the Amvets hall in Westland with family and friends.

The couple exchanged vows July 11, 1949, in Angola, Ind. She is the former LaVerna Bollinger.

He retired from the city of Westland 10 years ago, and she retired from Atlantic and Pacific Tea 11 years ago.



Hilliard

Robert and Irene Hilliard of Garden City celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary June 25 in a mass at St. Raphael Catholic Church and with family at Niagara Falls.

The couple exchanged vows June 25, 1949, at Our Lady Queen of Angels. She is the former Irene Papierniak.

The Hilliards are the parents of Marie Harrington, Debbie Noe, Michelle Loveland, Diane Hilliard, Carol Bergin and Annette Hilliard. They also have six grandchildren.

He is retired from General Motors, and she is retired from real estate and from banking.



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Clark

Wilbert (Bill) and Corrine Clark of Canton are celebrating their 55th anniversary in Las Vegas.

The couple exchanged vows on June 24, 1944, at the First Presbyterian Church in Plymouth. She is the former Corrine Schifle.

The couple has two children, Terry Clark and

Carol Gardner-Barringer, both of Canton, and five grandchildren.

Life-long residents of the Plymouth-Canton area, they are both retirees. They are active in the Plymouth Elk's Club, Vivian's Club and the VFW.

Their interest include bowling, golfing, volunteering for the Red Cross and bingo.

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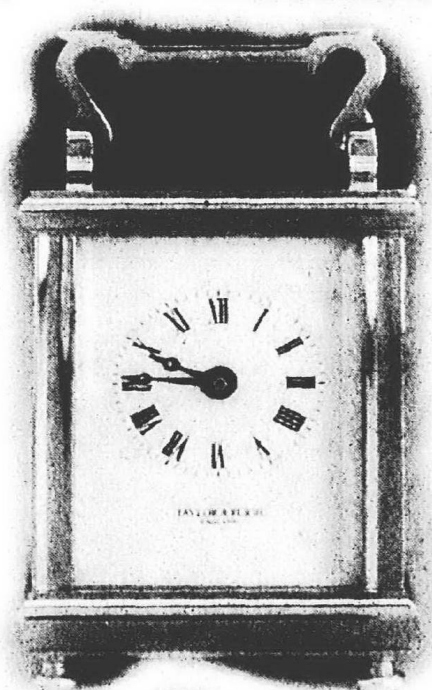
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OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

Indians 2nd

The Michigan Indians, an under-10 boys Little Caesars baseball team, finished second in their 16-team division at the Riverview Invitational last weekend. The Indians opened by beating Windsor South Two, 12-0, on Friday; they followed that with victories over the Trenton All-Stars, 3-1, and Allen Park, 10-2, both on Saturday.

In the semifinals Sunday, the Indians defeated Windsor South One, 10-5. In the finals, the Grand Blanc Spirit bested the Indians 12-6.

Members of the Indians are Michael Brennan, Derek Brickan, Brett Glover, Benjamin Kosmalski, David Leins, Dan McNeish, Michael Popp, Damarii Saunderson, Matt Skaglin, Evan Tindall and Nathan Sarkissian. The team is coached by Mark Glover.

Medal-winner

Brandon Czekaj, a sophomore at Livonia Stevenson HS, made a highly successful trip to the USA Shooting National Championships in Atlanta, Ga. In the indoor men's air rifle competition June 15-16, Czekaj scored 552-out-of-600 on the first day and 560-600 on the second, finishing with a total score of 1112-2000 to earn a third-place medal in Class B. This was competed at 10 meters.

In the outdoor 3-position men's smallbore competition on June 19-20, Czekaj scored 1072-1200 on his first day and 1059-1200 on his second for a total score of 2131-2400, good for fifth place overall in Class B. This was competed at 100 yards.

The USA Shooting National Championships are by invitation only, broken down into six divisions: AA, A, B, C, D and E, with division decided by previous performance. Czekaj rated as one of the youngest shooters at the competition.

Czekaj will compete next at the NRA National Outdoor 3-position Smallbore Competition at Camp Perry, Ohio July 23-24.

Diamondbacks roll

The Diamondbacks, a 9-10 year-old G-Major baseball team in the Livonia Junior Athletic League, finished their season with a 15-0 record, outscoring their opponents by a combined 196-47. The Diamondbacks played in the Falcon Division.

Team members, all from Livonia, are Ryan Boyle, Blair Gaida, William Gillis, Joshua Jacunski, Luke Knochel, Matt Loney, Chris Mulcahy, Bryon Niemczak, Mike Niesyto, Ed Plozai, Danny Rozek, Ben Schroeder and Joey Thomas. The team is coached by Paul Loney, Gary Niemczak, Scott Rozek and Dave Schroeder; Tim Boyle was the team secretary and Dana Knochel was the equipment manager.

Falcons soar

The Livonia Falcons, a 9-10 year-old tournament baseball team, was the winner of the South Farmington All-Star Classic July 10-11 at Founder Park in Farmington. Offense ruled for the Falcons, who defeated Novi 26-5; Lakes A, 12-6; Garden City, 13-11 in the semifinals; and Lakes B, 22-6 in the final.

Those who were instrumental in the win were Matt Loney, Bryon Niemczak, Scott Sergosin, Ben Schroeder, Luke Knochel, Chris Mulcahy, Colin Marquadt, Ryan Boyle, Alex Chisolm, Sean Foreman, Andy Ring, Danny Rozek and Joey Thomas. The team is coached by Paul Loney, Gary Niemczak, Scott Rozek and Dave Schroeder; Tim Boyle is the team secretary, with Dana Knochel serving as equipment manager.

5th in tourney

Scott Wolfe, a sophomore-to-be at Livonia Stevenson HS, finished fifth in the boys 15-and-under division at the 29th annual Riverwood State Junior Tournament, held July 8-9 at Riverwood Golf Club in Mount Pleasant.

Wolfe's two-day total was 160. There were 29 golfers in his division.

Anyone interested in submitting items to Sports Scene or Sports Roundup may send them to sports editor C.J. Risak, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI, 48150, or may FAX them to (734) 591-7279.

Timing it right

Junior Olympians hit lofty heights at regional

BY C.J. RISAK
SPORTS EDITOR
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For years, Salem and Canton high schools have taken great pride in their talents in track. Last weekend, the combined Plymouth and Canton communities proved those abilities, displayed year after year after year, were built on a sturdy foundation.

In April, Mike Krafchak was given what many would consider a no-way-to-win task: Take over the organization and planning for the Region V USA Track and Field Junior Olympics, a four-state affair that would affect more than 1,200 athletes.

This is the only time Michigan will host this event in a five-year span. When the Jackson community ran into difficulties, Plymouth and Canton were asked. Krafchak, a longtime track/cross country supporter, could not allow so many young people to be disappointed.

He accepted the challenge. And last weekend, he pulled it off.

The total number of participants, according to the Canton resident, was approximately 1,250. "It was a lot of work," he said Tuesday, nearly two days after the final event had concluded, "and we still haven't recovered, sleepwise."

"But it's also the kind of thing that's very gratifying when it works well. And this went pretty well."

It certainly demanded mass amounts of organization: On Thursday and Friday, events like the heptathlon, decathlon, pentathlon, triathlon and steeplechase were competed; indeed, the steeplechase, which

requires pools of water for runners to ford — something neither Canton nor Salem could furnish — created an immediate problem. Krafchak solved it by taking that particular race to the University of Michigan's track at 6 p.m. last Friday.

On Saturday and Sunday, the bulk of the track and field events got going at the Canton track at 9 a.m. The stakes were considerable: The top three finishers in each event would qualify for the USA Track and Field National Junior Olympics July 27-Aug. 1 in Nebraska.

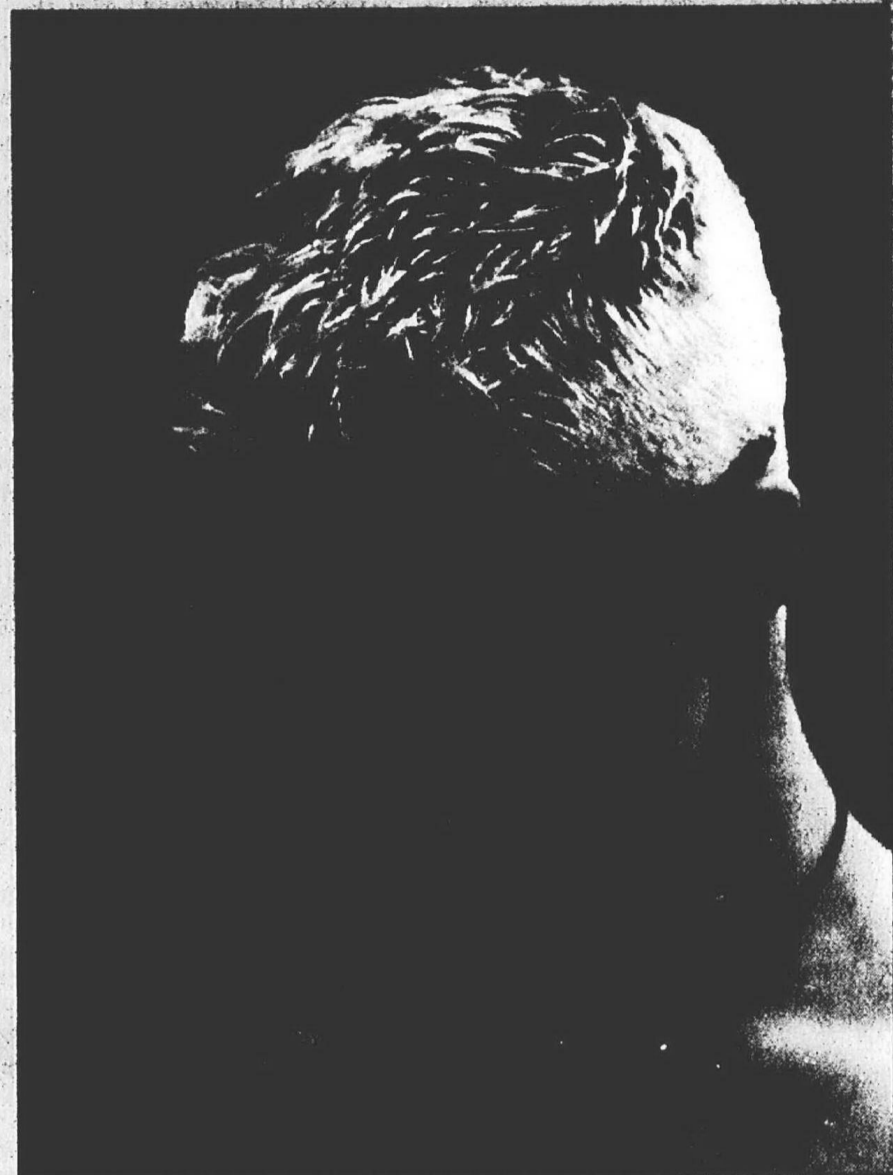
Which made last weekend's affair the biggest age-group track and field event of the year in the state.

Fortunately, it all went smoothly. "I know people got out of there Saturday and Sunday a whole lot earlier than they thought they would," said Krafchak, noting the ending times were before 8 p.m.

There were all sorts of budding track stars on the loose, such as: In the Midget girls division (11-12 year-olds), Amirah Carpenter, from the Ohio Association, won the 100-meters (13.68) and the 200-meters (27.13), and teammate Chelsie Sexton was first in both the 800-meters (2:30.93) and 1,500-meters (5:08.14).

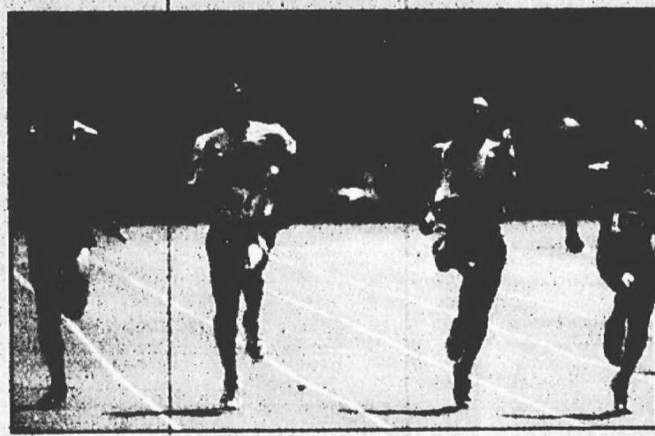
In the Midget boys, Eddie Gore of the Lake Erie Association captured top honors in the 100-meters (12.99) and 200-meters (26.90), while Michael Thomas of New World Track Club was a winner in the 400-meters (58.21) and shot put (39-feet, 7.75-inches), and Michael Quick of the Michigan Association won the 1,500-meters (5:03.91) and the 3,000-meters

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Big time to shine: The Region V Junior Olympics, run at the Salem/Canton field, attracted some of the top track talent in Michigan, Ohio, Kentucky and West Virginia. Bart Smith (above), of Somerset, Ohio, won three events; Manvir Gill (far left) and Donnie Warner (left), both Salem students, ran well in the distance events; Keanna Fields (right) of Akron, Ohio, excelled in the long jump; and the 400-meter run (below) was hotly contested.

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Former Spartan hosts Long Drive challenge

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What makes the game of golf both exhilarating and frustrating at the very same moment is the combination of factors one must master to put together a decent score.

Imagine knocking in a hole-in-one and still failing to break 50 for nine holes. Believe me, it's happened. So while getting part of the game down right is

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great, it is still just a part of the game.

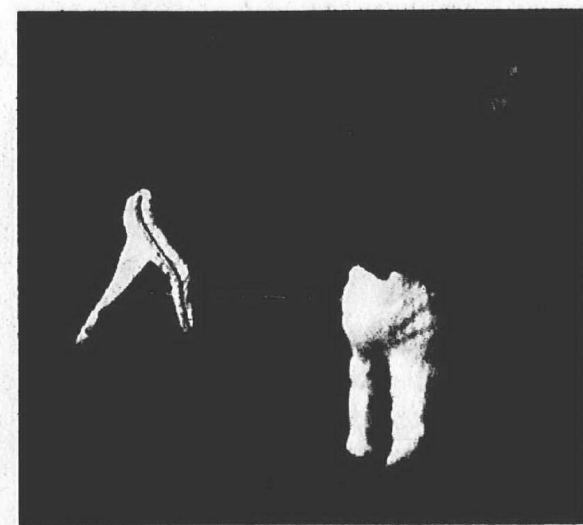
Now, however, mastering one particular part can take you places in golf. We're talking long drives here — and not in a golf cart or even a car.

For the past three years, Rob Peters — a 1982 graduate of Livonia Stevenson HS who still lives in

Livonia — has been running the sectional long drive qualifying events for the state. The object is simple: Hit it hard, hit it far, and qualify for the district event Sept. 25 in Hudson, Ohio, just east of Cleveland.

If you're still stroking it then, you've got a chance to make it to the RE/MAX World Long Drive Championship, which is Oct. 20-23 in Mesquite, Nev. A total

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A miss: Livonia's Mark Duffy slips a pitch past the Bulls' Ross Patterson.

Big hits

Livonia Travel blasts Bulls, 8-3

Dave Lusky's three-run homer Tuesday sparked host Livonia Travel to an 8-3 victory over the Michigan Bulls in a Connie Mack baseball game at Ford Field.

The game was scoreless through four innings. The Bulls took the lead with a run in the top of the fifth, but Travel never trailed after Lusky's shot in the bottom of the inning.

Livonia added five more runs in the sixth. Bob Malek's bases-loaded

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triple was the key hit in that inning.

Mark Flancaum, Charlie Avery and Mike Barnett had RBI singles for the Bulls, who suffered their second loss in 30 games.

Kevin Lantzzy had a pair of doubles and scored a run for the Bulls. Barnett and Malek also had two hits apiece.

Anthony Tomey pitched the first four innings for Livonia, but the win went to reliever Mark Duffy.

Bulls starter A.J. Rowe left with two runners aboard in the fifth and took the loss. Kevin Tomasaitis finished the game on the mound.

The Bulls, who were runners-up in the Welland (Ontario) Invitational last weekend, leave today for the AAU national championships and a nine-day stay in Orlando, Fla.

Late goal secures a tie for the Spartans

Jack McCoy (from Farmington Hills) knocked in a goal with just 32 seconds left to play to allow the Spartans to gain a 5-5 tie in a Metro Summer Hockey League game with the Lakers Tuesday at Plymouth Cultural Center.

McCoy's score capped a furious finish to a game that had been tight throughout. The Spartans had the early advantage, opening up a 3-1 lead on Pete Mazzoni's goal with 10:19 left in the second period. But the Lakers narrowed the gap to a single goal by the end of the period, then got scores from Brian Jardine and Brian Sutherland (Plymouth) to go ahead with 7:09 left in the game.

Chris Powroznik (Redford) knotted it for the Spartans at 4-4 with 4:06 remaining, but Ron

Lowrie netted his second goal of the game with 3:33 left to put the Lakers back on top — and set the stage for McCoy.

Mazzoni finished with a goal and two assists to lead the Spartans. Trevor Pagel (Redford) and Joe Kustra also scored. Tom McNeil (Plymouth) and Eric Pagel (Redford) were in goal for the Spartans.

Jardine finished with a goal and two assists to pace the Lakers. Eric Dolesh (Farmington Hills) also had a goal. Brandon Hothem (Troy) and Lanny Jardine (Bloomfield Hills) split time in goal for the Lakers.

Wildcats 24, Wolverines 5: The Wolverines' Todd Bentley (Farmington Hills/Catholic Central) scored 21 seconds into this MSHL game Tuesday at the Plymouth Cultural Center. The Wildcats scored at will after that.

Sean Kass led the attack for the 'Cats with seven goals and three assists, but he had plenty of help. Darrin Silvester contributed three goals and six assists; Brent Thomas had three goals and four assists; Vic DeCina (Canton) had three goals and two assists; Daryl Schimelpfenning (Canton) chipped in with two goals and three assists; Mike Swistak (West Bloomfield) got two goals and two assists; Brent Bessey had a goal and three assists; Tad Patterson (Canton), Shaun Harrington (Livonia) and Paul Khawam each had a goal and an assist; and Jeremy Motz got three assists.

Dan Dobrowski (Southfield) was in goal for the Wildcats.

Bentley led the Wolves with two goals. Eric Hawkins (Redford Catholic Central), Ryan Ward and Brad Feiler (Canton) also scored. Thomas Monnier (Catholic Central) was in goal for the Wolverines.

Huskies 6, Broncos 3: On Sunday, the Huskies got off to a slow start and it ended up costing them. There was no such recurrence in their MSHL game Monday at Plymouth Cultural Center.

Dwight Helminen scored the Huskies first two goals and Jim Tudor (Canton) got three of the next four in dispatching the Broncos. The Huskies led 4-1 midway through the second period and were never in danger.

Tudor finished with three goals and an assist, while Helmi-

nen had two goals, Ron Pietila got a goal and an assist, and Ben Blackwood netted three assists. Art Baker was in goal for the winners.

Tony Keshishian (Plymouth), Kyle McNeillance (Livonia) and Scott Marlinga accounted for the Broncos' goals. Will Hamele and Rick Marnon (Canton) were in goal.

Wildcats 14, Spartans 4: It was close only for part of the opening period Sunday in an MSHL game at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

Dave Wasil's goal with 3:35 left in the first period narrowed the Wildcat lead to 3-2, but that was as close as the Spartans would get. The 'Cats scored 10-straight goals after that, five of them off the stick of Sean Kass, in thumping the Spartans.

Kass added an assist to go with his five goals. Brent Thomas finished with four goals and two assists, Tad Patterson (Canton) totaled two goals and three assists, Paul Khawam got a goal and four assists, Darrin Silvester finished with a goal and two assists, and Kevin Bushey netted a goal and an assist.

Aaron Jones was in goal for the Wildcats.

The Spartans were led by Jack McCoy (Farmington Hills), with a goal and two assists. Robert Scott had a goal and an assist, and Mike Porter (Catholic Central) and Wasil each got goals. Eric Pagel (Redford) and Tom McNeil (Plymouth) split time in goal for the Spartans.

Broncos 6, Wolverines 2: Three unanswered goals in the third period — two by Scott Marlinga — carried the Broncos past the Wolverines Sunday at Plymouth

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Bulldogs	5	2	0	10
Huskies	5	2	0	10
Lakers	4	3	2	10
Wildcats	4	4	0	8
Wolverines	3	4	0	6
Broncos	2	4	1	5
Spartans	1	5	3	5

LEADING SCORERS (Through July 7)

Name (team)	G	A	Pts
Eric Bretcher (Bulldogs)	10	14	24
Kevin Swider (Bulldogs)	16	7	23
Brian Jardine (Lakers)	9	12	21
Corey Swider (Bulldogs)	8	10	18
Sean Kass (Wildcats)	11	6	17
John Pietila (Huskies)	10	6	16
Phil Pietila (Huskies)	9	7	16
Jim Tudor (Huskies)	10	5	15
Eric Hawkins (Wolverines)	8	7	15
J. Lawmaster (Spartans)	8	6	14
Krikor Arman (Wolverines)	3	11	14
Eric Dolesh (Lakers)	8	5	13
Mike Vigilante (Lakers)	8	5	13
K. McNeillance (Broncos)	9	3	12
Darrin Silvester (Wildcats)	3	9	12

LEADING GOALTENDERS

Name (team)	GA	Avg.
Art Baker (Huskies)	1	2.03
Phil Oseer (Bulldogs)	9	3.57
J.J. Weeks (Huskies)	9	3.59
Rick Marnon (Broncos)	18	5.96
Brandon Hothem (Lakers)	19	6.31
Will Hamele (Spartans)	13	6.57
Ted Martens (Bulldogs)	23	6.61

Jon Miller and Kyle McNeillance (Livonia) added single scores each.

Rick Marnon (Canton) and Will Hamele each played goal for the Broncos.

The Wolverines got goals from Ryan Ward and Brad Feiler (Canton). Mike O'Keefe (Redford) was in goal for the Wolves.

Lakers 10, Huskies 7: In a game of goal-scoring flurries, the Lakers withstood a five-goal surge by the Huskies in the first half of the third period and answered with a four-goal run of their own in the final seven minutes of the game to pull off the victory Sunday at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

Brian Jardine, who had four goals and an assist in the game, scored twice in the final 6:59 for the winners. Nick Jardine (Bloomfield Hills) and Jeremy Majszak (Canton), who had three assists apiece in the game, had two each in the last 6:59.

Eric Dolesh (Farmington Hills) contributed three goals and two assists to the Lakers' total, while Chris Libbett (West Bloomfield) had two goals and an assist. Ron Lowrie also had two assists.

The Huskies, who trailed 4-1 after two periods and 6-2 with less than 12 minutes left, scored five times in a 3:04 stretch to take the lead. Dwight Helminen led the assault with two goals and an assist in that span. Other Huskie scorers in the game were Glen Pietila, with a goal and two assists; Mark Pietila, with a goal and an assist; Keith Pietila, John Pietila and Frank Bourbonais, with one goal apiece; and Eric Kilunen, with two assists.

Lanny Jardine (Bloomfield Hills) and Brandon Hothem (Troy) each appeared in goal for the Lakers. Art Baker was in the net for the Huskies.

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In the Youth girls division (13-14 years-old), Carla Grace of the Ohio Association was a double-winner, taking the 200-meters (2:25.64) and the 200-meter hurdles (2:25.73), and Jessica Ordway, also of the Ohio Association, got wins in the 800-meters (4:55.34) and 1,500-meters (4:55.56).

Tough competition made doubling in the Youth boys division even more difficult. Only one

athlete managed it: Matthew Knippen of the Ohio Association, who won the shot put (43-9) and discus (149-7).

There were plenty of other winners (see results inside today's sports section), but none bigger than the meet's organizers and supporters.

Asked if he'd submit to tackling such a difficult task again, Krafchak replied without hesitation: "Oh yes, I'd do it again. It was worth it, for the kids."



On a pace: It may look unusual, but race-walking is as competitive an event as any at the Junior Olympics.

Lake Michigan swim

The fifth annual YMCA Lake Michigan Swim will start at 8:15 a.m. Saturday, July 17 in Grand Haven. The 1.75-mile open water swim begins at the North Pier and proceeds north to the North Beach Pavilion.

Late registrations will be \$25, and will be accepted through July 16. There will be no registration the day of the race.

Competition will be for males and females in six age divisions: 19 and under, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59 and 60-and-over. Check-in is 7:15-8 a.m. on race day, with a mandatory meeting from 8:15 a.m. The swim will end at 10 a.m.; all those still in the water will be assisted to the finish line.

All swimmers must report to the finish line, whether he or she completes the swim. Aids (snorkels, fins) may not be used, but goggles and wet suits are permitted.

T-Shirts are guaranteed to all competitors who register early. Trophies will be awarded to all age division winners; refreshments will be available to all swimmers at the finish line.

Registration forms are available at the Tri-Cities Family YMCA, 1 Y Drive, Grand Haven. For information, call (616)

842-7051.

Pizzaman Swims

The Domino's Pizzaman Swims are scheduled to start at 8:30 a.m. Sunday, July 25 at Big Portage Lake, located in the Waterloo Recreation Area in Waterloo. The 1.5-mile open water swim will consist of three half-mile laps.

Entry fee is \$18 for late entries. A USAF license will be required to compete in the swim. For those not possessing one, a one-day license may be purchased at registration for \$5.

Race day registration will be from 6:30-7:30 a.m. at the park, or from 2-5 p.m. Saturday, July 24 at the Tortoise & Hare Concept Store, located in the Traver Village Mall on Plymouth in Ann Arbor. Entries are available by calling (734) 662-1000, or by faxing (734) 662-3388.

The top female and male swimmers, the top female and male masters swimmers, and the top two males and females in each age group will receive awards. Age divisions are: 15-19, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70-74, 75-79, and 80 and over.

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purchase of \$250,000 is up for grabs at nationals in two divisions (Open, for all ages, and Seniors, for those 45 and older), with first prize a total of \$75,000. The minimum available, the least a national qualifier can win, is \$300.

Getting that far won't be easy. Peters knows; he's been there. He's been competing for 13 years and seven times he's qualified for the national finals, with his best-ever finish coming in 1994, when he placed 13th. Last year, there were 5,000 entries nationwide in the sectionals.

A member of Long Drivers of America, Peters was asked three years ago to host sectional qualifiers within the state. "I've been around long enough to know what facility can host something like this, and what facility can't," Peters said.

The parameters are relatively simple. Anyone wishing to try to qualify pays a \$30 entry fee for six drives in the sectional. There are no limits to how many times someone may enter. The drive must land within the 50-yard wide grid.

On Saturday, Peters will host a sectional at Highland Golf Center, located on Lone Tree off Milford, across from Milford HS.

"It sets up really well," said Peters. "I have 375 yards to work with, and one thing you have to be sure of, you've gotta have

enough room. You can't have guys hitting balls over the fence into a corn field."

Peters might be the only guy who could hit it that far at Highland. Saturday, by the way, is the first but not the only local sectional; there will be another Aug. 14 at the same location.

Remember what's at stake: a berth in the districts in Hudson, Ohio (that costs \$75) in September. And then a trip to Las Vegas for the nationals in October (no entry fee).

So dump the irons. Forget the putter. Just get that big driver out and start chopping.

For more information, call (248) 889-2050.

Coastal Crawl

The Harbor Springs Coastal Crawl, featuring a one-mile, two-mile or three-mile open water swim in Little Traverse Bay, will be Aug. 1 at Zorn Park, located on Bay Street in Harbor Springs. Check-in is 7:55 a.m.; there is a mandatory meeting at 8 a.m.

The three-mile race begins at 8:30 a.m., with the two-mile at 8:45 a.m. and the one-mile at 9 a.m. Average water temperature for Aug. 1 is 65 degrees.

Entry fee is \$20, which includes a picnic lunch. Applications are available by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Marilyn Early, 6212 Emmet Hts., Harbor Springs, MI, 49740. Mail check and application to the Hammerhead Swim Club, c/o Erin Fortune, 3125 Val-

ley View Trail, Harbor Springs, MI, 49740 by July 18. Registrations are limited to the first 150 applicants.

A limited number of custom-designed T-shirts for the race will also be available.

Wet suits and flotation devices, or any device used to maintain body heat, will not be allowed. The races are open to all swimmers, but those under the age of 13 must provide written competency from their coach. Medals will be given to male and female age division winners. Divisions are: 12 and under, 13-14, 15-18, 19-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, etc. (age as of Aug. 1).

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REGION V JUNIOR OLYMPICS TRACK AND FIELD RESULTS July 8-11 at Plymouth Canton HS

(Top three finishers in each event qualify for the USA Track and Field National Junior Olympics, July 27-Aug. 1 in Nebraska. Unfortunately, not all the results were available at press time; the remainder will be printed in Sunday's Observer.)

Bantam girls (10-and-under)
4x400-meter relay: 1. Capitol City Comets, 4:37.73; 2. South Dayton Flyers TC, 5:35.39.
200-meters: 1. Sharmell Favours (CC Comets), 30.04; 2. Sheree Latham (Ohio Ass.), 30.30; 3. Frenisha Rollins (Swift TC), 30.96.
800-meters: 1. Sierra Tate (Swift TC), 2:41.93; 2. Bianca Walker (South Dayton Flyers), 2:42.95; 3. Sarah Holland (South Dayton Flyers), 2:48.65.
1,500-meter race-walk: 1. Autumn Davis (Michigan Assoc.), 10:56.64.
400-meters: 1. Lakashia Moten (CC Comets), 1:09.37; 2. Sierra Tate (Swift TC), 1:09.40; 3. Tristen Yarborough (Ohio Assoc.), 1:11.75.
4x100-meter relay: 1. CC Comets, 59.29; 2. Middletown Blazers, 1:02.37; 3. Gina's Thunderbirds, 1:04.80.
Shot put: 1. Shannon Morrison (Ohio Assoc.), 27-feet, 5.25-inches; 2. Carmin Clark (Ohio Assoc.), 20-11.75; 3. Dominique Graves (Lake Erie Assoc.), 19-5.5.
1,500-meters: 1. Bianca Walker (South Dayton Flyers), 5:29.56; 2. Sarah Holland (South Dayton Flyers), 5:39.86; 3. Cristina Newman (South Dayton Flyers), 6:17.06.
High Jump: Keisha Roberts (Ohio Assoc.), no data.
100-meters: 1. Lakashia Moten (CC Comets), 14.44; 2. Sharmell Favours (CC Comets), 14.53; 3. Whitney McCombs (Ohio Assoc.), 14.58.
Long Jump: 1. Aubrey Trampler (Ohio Assoc.), 11-4.25; 2. Jessica Schroll (Ohio Assoc.), 11-4.0; 3. Taylor Ragland (Ohio Assoc.), 10-11.5.
Bantam boys (10-and-under)
4x400-meter relay: 1. Capitol City Comets, 4:58.44; 2. Flying J's, 5:21.12; 3.

Detroit Cheetah TC, 5:36.54.
200-meters: 1. Keith Johnson (Swift TC), 27.11; 2. Skylar Jones (Gina's Thunderbirds), 28.54; 3. Dionte Allen (Swift TC), 28.60.
400-meters: 1. Keith Johnson (Swift TC), 1:03.27; 2. Alan Tyson (CC Comets), 1:07.88; 3. Daniel Wright (Ohio Assoc.), 1:09.15.
High Jump: 1. Robert Walker (Lake Erie Assoc.), 4-feet; 2. Alex Gulick (Ohio Assoc.), 3-7.25.
800-meters: 1. David Martinez-Stewart (Flying J's), 2:37.76; 2. Vince Coleman (Flying J's), 2:39.26; 3. Ryan Darling (Michigan Assoc.), 2:39.84.
Long Jump: 1. (tie) Daniel Wright (Ohio Assoc.), Michael Chandler (CC Comets), 12-10.5; 3. Jacob Skinner (CC Striders), 11-7.5.
4x100-meter relay: 1. Middletown Blazers, 56.76; 2. CC Comets, 56.79; 3. Middletown Blazers, 1:01.42.
1,500-meters: 1. David Martinez-Stewart (Flying J's), 5:13.59; 2. Vince Coleman (Flying J's), 5:22.98; 3. Andy Peters (Ohio Assoc.), 5:23.30.
100-meters: 1. Mark Dell (Swift TC), 13.65; 2. Kenneth Green (CC Comets), 13.72; 3. Dionte Allen (Swift TC), 13.97.
High Jump: 1. Alex Gulick (Ohio Assoc.), 11-1.75; 2. Robert Walker (Lake Erie Assoc.), 10-6.0.
Shot put: 1. Michael Ellis (Ohio Assoc.), 22-10.0; 2. Brandon Moore (Ohio Assoc.), 21-6.75; 3. Schroll Tyler (Ohio Assoc.), 20-2.25.
Midget girls (11-12 years old)
4x400-meter relay: 1. Capitol City Comets, 4:37.73.
200-meters: 1. Amirah Carpenter (Ohio Assoc.), 27.13; 2. Jessica Jones (Maximum Output), 27.40; 3. Terri Thomas (Swift TC), 28.02.
800-meters: 1. Chelsie Sexton (Ohio Assoc.), 2:30.93; 2. Kali Holterreter (Eastside Pride TC), 2:31.60; 3. Ricquita Jones (Lake Erie Assoc.), 2:31.70.
Long Jump: 1. Katie O'Hare (Lake Erie Assoc.), 14-3.25; 2. Jerae Byrd (Ohio Assoc.), 13-7.5; 3. Oneka Hill (Power Strokes TC), 13-6.0.
High Jump: 1. Natalie Borland (Lake Erie Assoc.), 4-5; 2. Katie O'Hare (Lake Erie

Assoc.), 4-5; 3. Loryn Ryder (Ohio Assoc.), 3-11.25.
1,500-meter race-walk: 1. Christino Peters (Ohio Assoc.), 8:30.69; 2. Gwendolyn Underwood (Ohio Assoc.), 8:36.07; 3. Kathryn Fitchen (Ohio Assoc.), 11:29.78.
400-meters: 1. Ayrianna Favours (CC Comets), 1:02.15; 2. Cierra Bennett (Emanon Jaguars), 1:02.92; 3. Ricquita Jones (Lake Erie Assoc.), 1:04.19.
Shot put: 1. Jessica Earick (Ohio Assoc.), 26-8.5; 2. Brittany Cross (Ohio Assoc.), 24-10.0; 3. Dimika Clark (W. Virginia), 24-7.25.
4x100-meter relay: 1. Swift TC, 53.98; 2. Middletown Blazers, 55.74; 3. Emanon Jaguars, 56.00.
1,500-meters: 1. Chelsie Sexton (Ohio Assoc.), 5:08.14; 2. Jennifer Morgan (Ohio Assoc.), 5:13.89; 3. Eric Woebse (Eastside Pride TC), 5:26.27.
100-meters: 1. Amirah Carpenter (Ohio Assoc.), 13.68; 2. Jessica Jones (Maximum Output), 13.68; 3. Terri Thomas (Swift TC), 13.74.
Discus: 1. Dimika Clark (W. Virginia), 54-8.0; 2. Kelsey Foell (Ohio Assoc.), 43-2.0.
4x800-meter relay: 1. Eastside Pride TC, 11:09.55.
80-meter hurdles: 1. Rachel Cross (Ohio Assoc.), 14.7; 2. Tarrin Scott (Ohio Assoc.), 14.82; 3. Jerae Byrd (Ohio Assoc.), 14.84.
3,000-meters: 1. Kelly Sampson (Detroit Cheetah TC), 11:36.42; 2. Jillian Musarra (Lake Erie Assoc.), 12:39.94; 3. Christino Peters (Ohio Assoc.), 12:42.58.
Midget boys (11-12 years old)
80-meter hurdles: 1. Anthony Johnson (W. Virginia), 13.95; 2. Cameron Glass (Ohio Assoc.), 14.37; 3. Deandray Crayton (Lake Erie Assoc.), 15.24.
100-meters: 1. Eddie Gore (Lake Erie Assoc.), 12.99; 2. Geoffrey Stephens (Maximum Output), 13.11; 3. Thor Winston (Ohio Assoc.), 13.15.
200-meters: 1. Eddie Gore (Lake Erie Assoc.), 26.90; 2. Geoffrey Stephens (Maximum Output), 26.95; 3. William Rhoden (Swift TC), 27.14.
400-meters: 1. Michael Thomas (New World TC), 58.21; 2. Gary Hughes (Ohio Assoc.), 59.88; 3. Anthony Johnson (W.

Virginia), 1:04.46.
4x400-meter relay: 1. Emanon Jaguars, 5:07.91; 2. Northwest YMCA Comets, 5:15.05.
800-meters: 1. Gary Hughes (Ohio Assoc.), 2:21.65; 2. William Johnson (Ohio Assoc.), 2:30.32; 3. Seanteau Page (W. Virginia), 2:31.43.
Long Jump: 1. De'Angelo Young (Ohio Assoc.), 15-8.75; 2. James Cargle (Ohio Assoc.), 15-4.75; 3. Tory Rasey (Ohio Assoc.), 14-10.75.
High Jump: 1. Tony Rasey (Ohio Assoc.), 5-3; 2. Jamale Barnes (CC Comets), 4-7; 3. Bryan Chard (Ohio Assoc.), 4-5.
1,500-meter race-walk: 1. Steph'N Johnson (W. Virginia), 12:58.09.
4x100-meter relay: 1. Swift TC, 53.59; 2. Capitol City Comets, 54.07; 3. Middle-town Blazers, 55.25.
1,500-meters: 1. Michael Quick (Michigan Assoc.), 5:03.91; 2. Stephen Bruner (W. Virginia), 5:13.36; 3. Jason Ordway (Ohio Assoc.), 5:17.68.
Discus: 1. Jimmie Pacifico (Ohio Assoc.), 82-4.0; 2. Sky White (Ohio Assoc.), 79-5.0; 3. Emanuel Cargle (Ohio Assoc.), 68-11.0.
Shot put: 1. Michael Thomas (New World TC), 39-7.75; 2. Jamie White (New World TC), 34-6.25; 3. Alexander Venclauskas (Lake Erie Assoc.), 33-2.0.
4x800-meter relay: 1. New World TC, 10:40.73; 2. Eastside Pride TC, 11:37.49; 3. South West Ohio TC, 11:44.19.
3,000-meters: 1. Michael Quick (Michigan Assoc.), 10:33.91; 2. Stephen Bruner (W. Virginia), 11:04.12; 3. Jon Godwin (W. Virginia), 11:12.24.
Youth girls (13-14 years old)
400-meters: 1. Krystal Turner (W. Kentucky Warriors), 1:02.36; 2. Erin King (Lane 4 TC), 1:04.42; 3. Candice Pearson (Lane 4 TC), 1:05.24.
4x400-meter relay: 1. Lane 4 TC, 4:44.42; 2. Emanon Jaguars, 4:46.25.
200-meters: 1. Carla Grace (Ohio Assoc.), 25.64; 2. Alexandria Marshall (Maximum Output), 26.27; 3. Fallon Jenkins (Maximum Output), 26.61.
800-meters: 1. Jessica Ordway (Ohio Assoc.), 2:25.34; 2. Brook Coleman (Ohio Assoc.), 2:27.74; 3. Jenea Walker (Ohio Assoc.), 2:28.15.
Youth boys (13-14 years old)
400-meters: 1. Kathryn Woebse (Eastside Pride TC), 1:13.91; 2. Brittany Lynn (Eastside Pride TC), 12:21.56; 3. Samantha Rainwater (Ohio Assoc.), 12:39.94.
Youth boys (13-14 years old)
4x100-meter relay: 1. Maximum Output, 47.73; 2. Capitol City Comets, 47.75; 3. Lane 4 TC, 52.24.
800-meters: 1. Nathan Peavy (Ohio Assoc.), 2:15.62; 2. Tony Boutelle (Eastside Pride TC), 2:19.89; 3. Tonjua Jones (Mustangs TC), 2:21.32.
4x400-meter relay: 1. Maximum Output,

High Jump: 1. Ali Borland (Lake Erie Assoc.), 4-11; 2. Kristi Wall (Lake Erie Assoc.), 4-11; 3. Katie Bolt (Grand Rapids TC), 4-9.
200-meter hurdles: 1. Carla Grace (Ohio Assoc.), 29.73; 2. Deena Poole (Ohio Assoc.), 30.30; 3. Leana Sistrunt (Ohio Assoc.), 30.81.
Shot put: 1. Rachael Daugherty (Grand Rapids TC), 35-9.5; 2. Nicki Thomas (Eastside Pride TC), 35-6.5; 3. Lindsey Hill (Ohio Assoc.), 33-6.0.
Long Jump: 1. Tianna Madison (Lake Erie Assoc.), 16-5.75; 2. Ali Borland (Lake Erie Assoc.), 15-8.75; 3. Erin King (Lane 4 TC), 15-1.5.
4x100-meter relay: 1. Emanon Jaguars, 54.23; 2. Gina's Thunderbirds, 54.72; 3. Lane 4 TC, 55.51.
Javelin: 1. Nicki Thomas (Eastside Pride TC), 84-3.0; 2. Diana Arnett (Ohio Assoc.), 76-5.0; 3. Sabrina Hale (Motor City Striders), 68-1.0.
1,500-meters: 1. Jessica Ordway (Ohio Assoc.), 4:55.56; 2. Melissa Loveridge (W. Kentucky Warriors), 4:59.80; 3. Kathryn Woebse (Eastside Pride TC), 5:01.01.
100-meters: 1. Alexandria Marshall (Maximum Output), 12.88; 2. Tianna Madison (Lake Erie Assoc.), 13.01; 3. Bethany Danson (Lake Erie Assoc.), 13.26.
Discus: 1. Elise Bottarini (Ohio Assoc.), 85-5.0; 2. Lyndsey Foell (Ohio Assoc.), 82-1.0; 3. Lindsey Hill (Ohio Assoc.), 79-3.0.
4x800-meter relay: 1. West Kentucky Warriors, 10:42.88; 2. Eastside Pride TC, 11:35.96.
100-meter hurdles: 1. Deena Poole (Ohio Assoc.), 16-5.75; 2. Carla Grace (Ohio Assoc.), 15-7.3; 3. Leana Sistrunt (Ohio Assoc.), 16-9.3.
3,000-meter run: 1. Kathryn Woebse (Eastside Pride TC), 11:36.91; 2. Brittany Lynn (Eastside Pride TC), 12:21.56; 3. Samantha Rainwater (Ohio Assoc.), 12:39.94.
Youth boys (13-14 years old)
4x100-meter relay: 1. Maximum Output, 47.73; 2. Capitol City Comets, 47.75; 3. Lane 4 TC, 52.24.
800-meters: 1. Nathan Peavy (Ohio Assoc.), 2:15.62; 2. Tony Boutelle (Eastside Pride TC), 2:19.89; 3. Tonjua Jones (Mustangs TC), 2:21.32.
4x400-meter relay: 1. Maximum Output,

3:55.53; 2. Lane 4 TC, 4:05.41; 3. Eastside Pride TC, 4:08.88.
200-meters: 1. Kendale Moore (CC Comets), 23.56; 2. Terry Hardison (Lake Erie TC), 23.66; 3. Jason Hardison (Cleveland Hts. Rebels), 24.06.
200-meter hurdles: 1. Terry Hardison (Lake Erie Assoc.), 28.05; 2. Andrew Holpuch (Lake Erie Assoc.), 28.57; 3. Rayshawn Eastman (Lane 4 TC), 29.76.
400-meters: 1. Terry Thompson (Cleveland Hts. Rebels), 53.00; 2. Terry Hardison (Cleveland Hts. Rebels), 53.01; 3. Jonathan Dunham (Ohio Assoc.), 54.11.
Javelin: 1. Drew Snow (Ohio Assoc.), 123-10.0; 2. Ross Yates (W. Virginia), 91-4.0; 3. Adam Lucci (Ohio Assoc.), 85-4.
Shot put: 1. Matthew Knippen (Ohio Assoc.), 43-9.0; 2. Drew Snow (Ohio Assoc.), 39-9.25; 3. Adam Lucci (Ohio Assoc.), 39-5.0.
1,500-meters: 1. Nathan Peavy (Ohio Assoc.), 4:32.64; 2. Tony Boutelle (Eastside Pride TC), 4:38.12; 3. Joel Stone (Ohio Assoc.), 4:38.2.
100-meters: 1. Jason Hardison (Cleveland Hts. Rebels), 11.56; 2. Terry Hardison (Lake Erie Assoc.), 11.59; 3. Kendale Moore (CC Comets), 11.75.
High Jump: 1. Andrew Holpuch (Lake Erie Assoc.), 5-3; 2. (tie) Keith Ricker (Ohio Assoc.), Damon Trammell (Lane 4 TC), 5-1.0 each.
Discus: 1. Matthew Knippen (Ohio Assoc.), 149-9.0; 2. Orville Jennings (Ohio Assoc.), 126-4.0; 3. Drew Snow (Ohio Assoc.), 120-8.0.
4x800-meter relay: 1. Eastside Pride TC, 10:23.35; 2. Eastside 'B' TC, 11:24.43.
Pole vault: 1. Jeff Robinson (Grand Rapids TC), 8-6.
100-meter hurdles: 1. Kevin Cross (Ohio Assoc.), 15.21; 2. Justin Valentine (CC Comets), 15.28; 3. Andrew Holpuch (Lake Erie Assoc.), 16.69.
3,000-meter run: 1. Jerel Walker (Ohio Assoc.), 10:54.30; 2. Kenneth Brown (Stingers TC), 11:54.06; 3. Dylan Manion (Grand Rapids TC), 12:31.93.
Intermediate Boys (15-16 year-olds)
3,000-meter run: 1. Abdi Adam (Toledo Alive), 9:17.01; 2. Michael Montgomery (Ohio Assoc.), 9:59.72; 3. Tyler Thompson (Ohio Assoc.), 10:03.27.



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Lions golf outing

The Canton Lions, a self-supporting junior league football team, will host a fund-raiser Aug. 14 at Fellows Creek Golf Course in Canton. The object: to raise funds for the program, which benefits boys and girls 8-14 years old, and for some much-needed equipment.

The fund-raiser starts with a four-person golf scramble and finishes with a party that evening. Cost for 18 holes of golf, cart and lunch: \$65 per person; for 18 holes of golf, lunch and evening party, it's \$85; for party only, it's \$30.

For more information, call Ron Bradley at (734) 397-1720.

CCJBBSA Fall ball

The Canton Community Junior Baseball and Softball Association intends to form fall baseball leagues for youngsters 9-12 and will inaugurate a Tee Ball program for kids ages 5-7.

The Tee Ball program will cost \$45, is co-ed and is tentatively scheduled to play a September-October season, weekends only.

Those interested should call Chris Angel at 981-3007.

Angel is also directing the fall baseball program for 9-year-olds. Site for games and length of season have not been determined.

The 10-12 age group will play at McClumpha park on Tuesdays and Thursday at 6:30 p.m. Cost for that league is \$65.

Those interested should call Bob Unis at 454-5725.

Date and site for registration have not been determined.

Hockey conditioning

Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem will open their first-ever prep hockey seasons this fall, but neither will come in ill-prepared. A three-day summer conditioning camp, under the direction of Salem coach Fred Feiler and Canton coach Dan Abraham, is scheduled to start next week at the Plymouth Cultural Center; it is open to all those Salem and Canton students interested in playing high school hockey in the upcoming school year.

Cost is \$75 for all three sessions. The first will be 7:30-9:30 p.m. Monday; the second, 7-9 p.m. Wednesday; and the third, 7-9 p.m. Monday, July 26. Checks should be made payable to the Plymouth-Canton Hockey Booster Club.

For further information, call either Feiler at (734) 451-0924 or Abraham at (313) 383-2846.

In-line hockey

The city of Livonia Parks and Recreation Department has spaces available in the second and third sessions of its Future Star In-line Hockey Camp. Session Two runs from 8:30-11 a.m. Monday-through-Friday, Aug. 2-6, at Eddie Edgar Arena; Session Three runs from noon-2:30 p.m. Monday-through-Friday, Aug. 2-6, at Eddie Edgar Arena. Cost for each session is \$125.

The camp is open to boys and girls, 6-12 years old. No hockey experience is necessary.

For more information, call (734) 466-2410.

Volleyball camps

Madonna University will hold a pair of volleyball camps Sunday, July 18 through Thursday, July 21.

There will be two hitters sessions — 8:30 a.m.-noon (morning) and 1-4:30 p.m. (afternoon). The cost is \$100 for each session.

The defensive specialty camp will be from 1-4:30 p.m. The cost is \$100 per person.

For more information, call Jerry Abraham at (734) 432-5612 (office) or (734) 254-0698.

Inline hockey sign-up

The SoccerZone, 41550 Grand River, Novi, is accepting walk-in and mail-in registration for its fifth inline hockey session.

The 10-week session starts Saturday, July 31 and runs through Oct. 10.

Hockey fees for midget-age team and older are \$940; bantam-age and younger, \$895.

Fees for individuals seeking to be placed on a team are \$85 (returning players) and \$95 (new players). Referee fees are included.

For more information, call (248) 374-0500.

3-on-3 hoop tourney

The Sports Academy will hold a three-on-three basketball tournament Saturday, July 31, at the Novi Community Parks basketball courts, located on northeast corner Eight Mile and Napier roads.

Each team is allowed four

players. The double-elimination tournament is for players 17- and-over. Check-in is at 8:30 a.m. with games starting at 9 a.m. (Rain date is Sunday, Aug. 1.)

The entry fee is \$125 per team. The first place team wins \$250.

Youth can register at the Sports Academy through Thursday, July 29.

For more information, call (248) 380-0800.

Coaches wanted

Livonia Ladywood, a Catholic, Class A all-girls high school is seeking qualified person to fill the following head coaching positions — head cross country and head swimming.

Those interested should write to Sal Malek, Athletic Director, Ladywood High School, 14680 Newburgh Road, Livonia, Mi. 48154; or call (734) 591-2323.

Grand Prix package

The Detroit Historical Society has fewer than 100 special VIP passes remaining to the Detroit Grand Prix, scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 8 on Belle Isle. For \$150, a VIP pass-holder will receive entry to a private hospitality tent; unlimited food and beverages; pit passes; a grand stand ticket for the race; and round-trip transportation from the Detroit Historical Museum (located at 5401 Woodward) to Belle Isle. Shuttle service begins at 10 a.m., with the last shuttle leaving Belle Isle at 5 p.m.

Also, \$50 of the cost is a tax deductible donation to the

Detroit Historical Society, which supports the Detroit Historical Museum, the Dossin Great Lakes Museum on Belle Isle, Historic Fort Wayne and the Historic Moross House.

To reserve tickets, call Jennifer Richard at (313) 833-1405.

Hockey offerings

The city of Plymouth Recreation office is offering ice hockey clinics and some late night drop-in hockey through the rest of the summer at the Plymouth Cultural Center, located at 525 Farmer in Plymouth.

Clinics will be every Friday through Aug. 27. From 1-2:20 p.m. there will be a hockey skating skills clinic, with no pucks or sticks, for all ages; cost is \$6 per person. From 2:30-3:50 p.m. each Friday, there will be a hockey skills clinic with sticks and pucks, for ages 6-and-over; cost is \$6 per person.

On Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays through Aug. 27, there will be late night drop-in hockey from 11 p.m.-midnight at the Cultural Center for adults 18 and over. Cost is \$7 per player, with the first four goalies admitted for free.

For information regarding either, contact the Recreation office at (734) 455-6623.

Baseball classic

The 13th annual Wayne Baseball Association Late Summer Classic Tournament (ages 13-14) will be Friday through Sunday, July 30-Aug. 1, in Wayne.

The entry fee is \$200 per team.

The registration deadline is Wednesday, July 21.

The round-robin format guarantees each team four games. Individual awards will go to the first and second-place teams, along with sponsor.

The tournament rules meeting and draw will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, July 22 at the Wayne Baseball Building, 34630 Annapolis, Wayne.

For more information, call Jeff Auer at (313) 292-4175.

Vipers in-line tourney

The Detroit Vipers of the International Hockey League will host Blade Raid '99, an in-line hockey tournament Saturday-Sunday, July 31-Aug. 1, at the Palace of Auburn Hills parking lot.

Games will consist of four-on-four roller hockey (including goaltender). Teams are guaranteed a minimum of three games in the round-robin format. The squads with the best records advance to the playoffs with the top three finishers in each division receiving awards. All participants will also receive tickets to the Vipers' 1999-2000 home opener and an official Blade '99 T-shirt.

For more information, call the Oakland County Parks office or tournament director Don Rossman at (248) 377-8637.

Anyone interested in submitting items to Sports Scene or Sports Roundup may send them to sports editor C.J. Risak, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, Mi, 48150, or may FAX them to (734) 591-7279.

SOFTBALL

Lightning bolt past Thunder with a sweep

Lightning proved more deadly than Thunder, at least Tuesday in a Girls Incredible Fastpitch Softball League double-header played at Plymouth Salem.

The Plymouth Lightning swept a pair from the Plymouth Thunder, using a four-inning no-hitter by Amanda Sutton in an opening 16-0 romp, then getting a three-hitter from Jacqui Sledobnick in the nightcap, a 12-2 victory in five innings.

The two wins improved the Lightning's record to 10-1.

In the first game, Sutton was more than enough for the Thunder, both in the field and at the plate. She did not allow a hit or a walk, striking out five in four innings. Kristen Miller took the loss for the Thunder.

Sutton also slugged a two-run home run and drove in three runs in the first game. Shae Potocki contributed two hits and two runs batted in, and Jessica Chapman added a two-run single to the Lightning's attack. Liz Dekarske, Marnie Jones, Sledobnick and Erin Sonntag each had a base hit and an RBI.

In the second game, Sledobnick gave up two runs on three hits and five walks, striking out six. Hitting stars for the Lightning were Sonntag, with a double and two RBI; Dekarske, with a triple and an RBI; Amy Szawara, with a single and two RBI; and Potocki and Katie Kelly, each with singles.

The Thunder got base hits from Amber Heard, Janesse Chapman and Katie Stropes.

GOLF EVENTS

CANTON HOOP GOLF OUTING

The third annual Plymouth Canton baseball golf outing will be at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 1, at St. John's Golf Course.

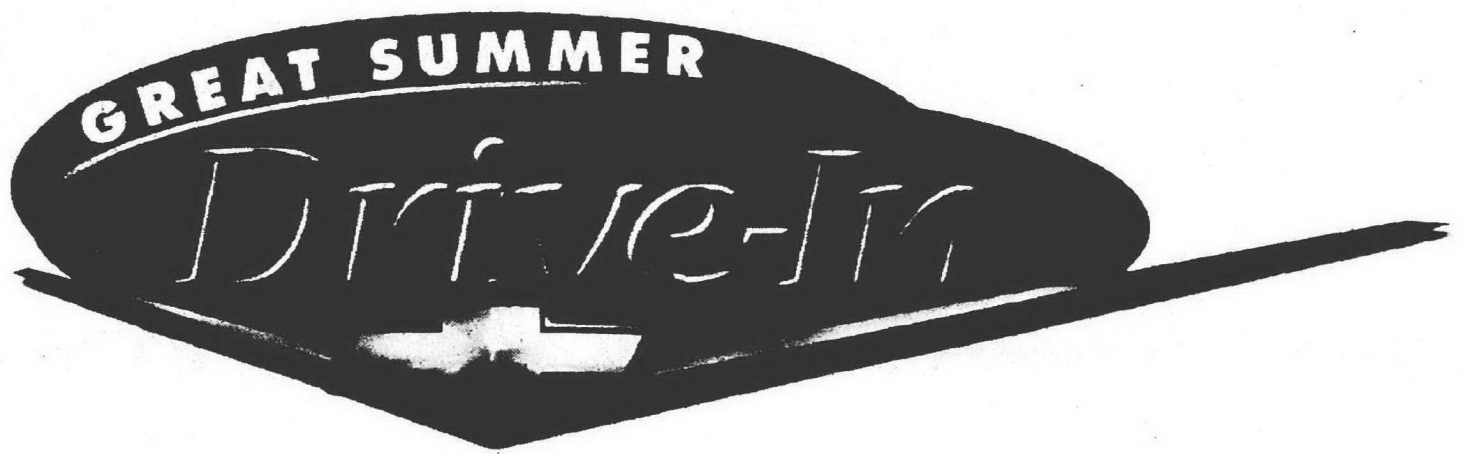
The event is sponsored by Canton basketball coach Dan Young, his staff and parents. The outing is open to present and past Canton basketball players, along with friends of the program.

Tee-off is at 11:15 a.m.

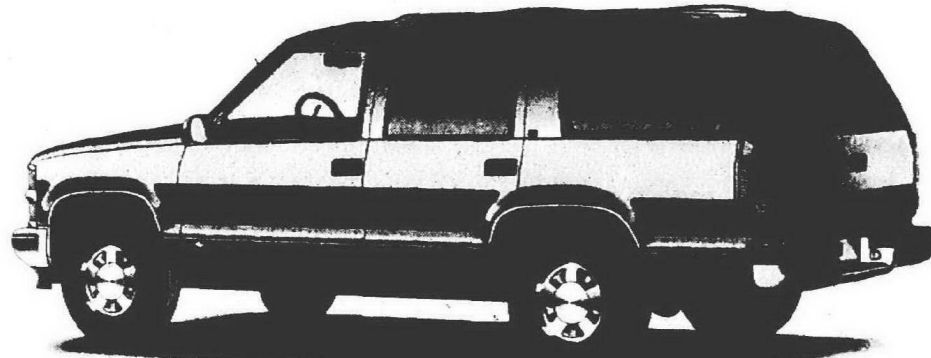
The cost is \$70 (includes cart and dinner) or \$340 (includes hole sponsorship, a foursome for 18 holes, plus cart, and dinner afterwards at Plymouth Township Park). Meal only (after 3 p.m.) is \$10 per person.

Registration payment must be received by Tuesday, July 20.

For more information, call Fred Safen at (734) 453-4901 or Dan Young at (734) 591-7418.



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ARCHERY

ROA 3D SHOOT Royal Oak Archers will hold a 3D shoot beginning at 9 a.m. Sunday, July 18, on its walk-through course in Lake Orion. Call (248) 628-8354 or (248) 589-2480 for more information.

SAFARI 3D Detroit Archers will hold a 56-target safari shoot beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday and Sunday, July 24-25, on its walk-through course in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110 for more information.

LIVONIA RANGE The newly renovated Livonia Archery Range is open to the public. The range features seven field lanes and one broadhead lane and is open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Cost is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children. Livonia residents shoot free of charge. The range is located on Glendale Ave., east of Farmington Road. Call (734) 466-2410 for more information.

JUNIOR OLYMPICS The Oakland County Sportsman Club in Clarkston offers a Junior Olympic Archery Development

Program beginning at 1 p.m. on Sundays. Call (248) 623-0444 for more information.

JUNIOR ARCHERS A weekly program for junior archers begins at 9 a.m. Saturdays at Detroit Archers in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110 for more information.

SHOOTING SPORTS

SPORTING CLAYS Wings & Clays will host a sporting clays shoot on Sunday, Aug. 29, at the Bald Mountain range in Lake Orion. Call (248) 814-9193 for more information.

SEASON/DATES

ELK SEASON Application deadline for the September and December 1999 Michigan elk seasons is July 15. Call (517) 373-1263 for more information.

FISHING TOURNAMENTS

TOP BASS Top Bass Tournament Trail, a series of open singles draw bass tournaments, continues on Sunday, July 17, on Wixom Lake. Registration is \$60 and the pay back is one place cash for every seven contestants. Boaters and

non-boaters are welcome and there is no pre-registration. Call Elmer Daniels at (734) 729-1762 or Steve Randles at (734) 422-5813 for more information. Additional stops on the Top Bass Tournament Trail are July 31 on Sanford Lake, and Aug. 14-15 on Wixom Lake.

OAKLAND BASS MASTERS Oakland Bass Masters will hold its annual Tournament for Toys, a two-man team open charity bass tournament, beginning at 5:30 a.m. Sunday, July 18, on Lake St. Clair. Entry fee is \$80 per boat. To register and for more information call Roy Randolph at (248) 542-5254. Oakland Bass Masters will hold additional tournaments Aug. 8 on Orchard Lake, Aug. 29 on Lobdell Lake, and Sept. 26 on Lakeville Lake.

CLASSES/ SEMINARS

FLY FISHING SCHOOL The Riverbend Sports Shop in Southfield is sponsoring several fly fishing schools in the upcoming months. Held at the Huntsman Hunt Club in Dryden and Hunters Creek Hunt Club in Metamora, the schools include lessons in basic fly fishing techniques including casting, knot tying, reading the water, playing, landing and releasing fish, entomology and fly selection and more. Classes are scheduled for

August 16 and 29, and Sept. 12. Class size is limited. To register and for more information call (248) 350-8484 or (248) 591-3474.

FLY TYING Paint Creek Outfitters in Rochester offers a variety of fly tying classes for beginners and advanced tyers. Call (248) 650-0440 for more information or to make a reservation for an upcoming class.

MORE FLY TYING River Bend Sport Shop in Southfield offers fly tying classes for beginners, intermediate and advanced tyers. Classes will be held at various times in July. For more information and to register call (248) 350-8484 or (248) 591-3474.

CLIMBING CLASS An introductory climbing course for the novice and first-time climber is offered at various times at REI in Northville. The class covers basic indoor climbing safety, technique, equipment and terminology. The course is free and available to adults and children. Call (248) 347-2100 for current schedules and additional information.

ACTIVITIES

NEWBURG LAKE CIRCLE Join members of the Southeast Michigan Group, Sierra Club on a six-mile walk around the "new" Newburg Lake begins at 9 a.m.

Saturday, July 17. Participants are asked to meet at the Newburg Point Nature Area in Livonia. Call Max Nernazi at (734) 421-4397 for more information.

SLEEPY HOLLOW Join members of the Southeast Michigan Group, Sierra Club on a six-mile hike at Sleepy Hollow State Park on Sunday, July 18. Participants are asked to meet at 10 a.m. in the shopping center parking lot behind McDonalds on Telegraph, north of Square Lake Road, in Bloomfield Hills. Call John Kalam at (248) 681-9160 for more information.

CLUBS

CLINTON VALLEY BASS Clinton Valley Bass Anglers club is seeking new members (boaters and non-boaters are welcome.) The club meets monthly at Gander Mountain in Waterford. Call Mike Daly at (248) 666-8910 for more information.

METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at Garden City High School. Call Dominic Liparoto at (248) 476-5027 for more information.

MICHIGAN FLY FISHING The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Junior High School. Call (810) 478-1494 for more information.

FOUR SEASONS The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, in Livonia. Visitors are invited and refreshments will be served. Call Jim Kudej at (734) 591-0843 for more information.

FISHING BUDDIES Fishing Buddies Fishing Club meets the third Tuesday of each month in Rochester Hills. Meetings are open to all anglers (boaters and non-boaters). Call (248) 656-0556 for more information.

MURON VALLEY STEELHEADERS The Huron Valley Steelheaders meets the third Thursday of each month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 27600 Hall Rd., Flat Rock. Call Carroll White at (734) 285-0843 for more information.

BASS ASSOCIATION The Downriver Bass Association, a non-tournament bass club, meets at 6:30 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Gander Mountain in Taylor. Call (734) 676-2863 for more information.

SOLAR The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation (SOLAR), a non-profit organization interested in promoting the appreciation of outdoor activities, meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Colony Hall in Southfield. Call (248) 988-6658 for more information.

FLY TYING The River Bend Sports Shop Fly Tying Club meets every other week in Southfield. Call (248) 350-8484 or (248) 591-3474 for more information.

SHOOTING RANGES

BALD MOUNTAIN Bald Mountain Recreation Area in Lake Orion has shotgun (skeeet & trap, sporting clays, 5-stand), rifle, pistol, and archery shooting facilities. Hours for archery and clay target shooting are noon to sunset Mondays and Tuesdays; 10 a.m. to sunset Wednesdays; and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Rifle range hours are 3 p.m. to sunset Mondays and Tuesdays; 10 a.m. to sunset Wednesdays; and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Bald Mountain is located at 1330 Greenshield Rd., which is three miles north of the Palace of Auburn Hills off M-24. Call (248) 814-9193 for more information.

PONTIAC LAKE Pontiac Lake Recreation Area in Waterford has rifle, pistol, shotgun, and archery ranges. Range hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesdays through Sundays. Pontiac Lake Recreation Area is located at 7800 Gale Rd. Call (248) 666-1020 for more information.

ORTONVILLE RECREATION Ortonville Recreation Area in Ortonville has rifle, pistol and shotgun shooting facilities. Range hours are 12-5 p.m. Thursday through Sunday. The Ortonville Recreation Area is located at 5779 Hadley Rd. Call (248) 693-6767 for more information.

OAKLAND COUNTY PARKS

COUNTY PARK REQUIREMENTS Advanced registration is required for all nature programs at Oakland County Parks. Call (810) 625-6473 to register or for more information.

NATURE CLUB Ages 8-12 will learn about the outdoors during this program, which begins at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, July 31, at Independence Oaks. The club will also meet Aug. 28.

STATE PARKS

STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS Maybury State Park, Proud Lake Recreation Area, Bald Mountain Recreation Area, Highland Recreation Area, and Island Lake Recreation Area offer nature interpretive programs throughout the year. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into all state parks and state recreation areas. For registration and additional information on the programs at Maybury call (810) 349-8390. For programs at Bald Mountain call (810) 693-6767. For programs at Proud Lake and Highland call (810) 685-2187.

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Tournament draws top names from the past

Professional tennis returns to the Bloomfield Open Hunt Club this month.

The \$150,000 Mentadent Joe Dumars Champions tournament, the eighth stop on the Worldwide Senior Tennis Circuit's 1999-2000 schedule, will be played at the prestigious BOH in Bloomfield Hills July 21-25. Five-time Wimbledon singles champion Bjorn Borg heads a star-studded field that features Jimmy Connors, the senior circuit's top player, Mats Wilander, Yannick Noah and Guillermo Vilas.

The Mentadent Joe Dumars Champions event will include a 12-man singles field with the winner pocketing \$40,000. Action begins Wednesday evening when Noah and Peter Fleming square off in a first-round match. Borg and Wilander, who have captured a combined 18 Grand Slam singles titles, will pair up on opening night for a doubles match against Mansour Bahrami and seven-time Grand Slam doubles winner John Fitzgerald.

Borg has been a staple on the Senior Tennis Circuit and still attracts large crowds. He will be chasing his first Joe Dumars Mentadent championship.

"I run everyday and play tennis about twelve hours a week. In the wintertime I do a little skiing and ice hockey," said Borg during a recent conference call. "Everyday I do some sort of exercising and I have been playing tennis with the federation in Sweden, which is good practice for me and good practice for them. I don't really lift weights

TENNIS
or have a trainer but just stay involved with a lot of sports."

One of the world's top players during his years as a regular touring professional, Borg won five successive singles Wimbledon titles (1976-80) and also won the French Open six times (1974-75, 1978-81). The 43-year-old Borg now enjoys coaching

youngsters in his native country.

"When I am in Stockholm I play a lot of tennis with the kids, and I have been doing that for quite a few years," he said. "I have tried to coach by just helping out the people I play with. I don't really have an interest to travel and coach at this particular moment, but you never know what will happen in the future."

"Parents should help and support, I think that is important,"

said Borg, who retired in 1983. "The parents should never push their kids toward anything. My parents were supportive of me, but I played when I wanted to and was never pushed."

How would the former Wimbledon champion fare against current Wimbledon champ Pete Sampras?

"I think it is very difficult to compare," he said. "I think every time period has their own cham-

Champion. He is really like a champion. He really focuses his energy towards tennis and he is never satisfied with just being number one."

Johan Kriek, Andres Gomez, Mel Purcell, Eddie Dibbs, Peter Fleming, John Fitzgerald, Henri Leconte, Bahrami and John Lloyd are among other singles players expected to participate. Defending champion John McEnroe, recently elected to the

Tennis Hall of Fame, will not return.

Dumars will be the featured star of the celebrity portion of the tourney. Mel Farr, Aaron Krickstein, Rick Barry, Dave Bing, Kelly Tripucka and Carrie Cunningham are other possible celebrity participants.

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FISHING IN THE PARKS. Learn the basics of fishing during this program, which begins at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday's, through August 10, at Island Lake, Metamora-Hadley and Pontiac Lake recreation areas.

SUMMER EVENINGS Explore the park's natural and cultural history through a variety of weekly hikes and interpretive presentations during this class, which will be held at 7 p.m. each Thursday through the end of August at Maybury.

SPECIAL SEEDS Bring an old soup can for a special project and learn about seeds during this program, which begins at 10 a.m. Thursday, July 15, at Highland.

CONSTELLATION HIKE Explore the night sky and learn Native American folk lore during this program, which begins at 8:30 p.m. Friday, July 16, at Maybury.

CREEPY CRAWLIES Take a look at the amazing world of insects and other small creatures during this program, which begins at 11 a.m. Saturday, July 17, at Maybury.

HAVEN HILL HISTORY Learn about the park's rich cultural history and the habitat it provides during this 90-minute walk, which begins at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, July 24, at Highland.

SUMMER GRAIN HARVEST Learn about grain harvesting and processing during this program, which begins at 2 p.m. Saturday, July 24, at Maybury.

METROPARKS

METROPARK REQUIREMENTS Most Metropark programs are free while some require a nominal fee. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all programs. Call the respective parks toll free at the following numbers: Stony Creek, 1-800-477-7756; Indian Springs, 1-800-477-3192; Kensington, 1-800-477-3178.

COUNTRY FAIR Participate in an insect safari, a Festival of Fun with Rosco the Clown, hayrides, candle dipping, dairy demonstrations and much more during this program, which will be held on Saturday and Sunday, July 17-18, at Kensington.

1999 PERMITS The 1999 Huron-Clinton Metroparks annual vehicle entry permits and boat launching permits are on sale at all Metropark offices. Vehicle entry permits are \$15 (\$8 for senior citizens). The annual boat launching permits are \$18 (\$9 for senior citizens). Call 1-800-47-PARKS for more information.

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SIMPLY PUT

Romantic SWF, 60, 5'2", 118lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys dancing, travel, the theater, long walks and more, would like to meet a trustworthy SWM, 55-65, with similar interests. Ad# 5555

IS IT FATE?

Say hello to this personable SWCF, 38, 5'7", who enjoys cooking, jazz music and traveling. Her heart is set on sharing a long-term relationship with a responsible, handsome SWM, 36-47. Ad# 9455

INTRODUCE YOURSELF

Versatile, active and outgoing, she's an attractive SWP mom, 34, 5'8", a blue-eyed blond, interested in meeting a handsome SWPM, 28-42, with a strong sense of home and family. Ad# 1212

SO MUCH FUN TO BE HAD

This SWF, 21, 5'7", would like to spend time with a fun-loving SWM, 21-30, who likes children and sports. Ad# 1098

HERE'S YOUR CHANCE

Fun-loving DWCF, 47, 5'5", who enjoys sports, the outdoors and gardening, is seeking a sincere, dependable SWCM, 43-51, for companionship. Ad# 4488

LET'S CUDDLE

Catholic DWF, 59, 5'2", 125lbs., with blonde hair and green eyes, who enjoys family barbecues, picnics and more, seeks a Catholic, Italian SWM, 51-61. Ad# 1992

THE POWER OF LOVE

SWF, 57, 5'4", full-figured, who enjoys music, traveling, movies, long walks and more, is looking for a sincere, compassionate SWM, 52-62. Ad# 7141

A RARE FIND

Compassionate DWPC mom of one, 47, 5'3", with reddish-brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys movies, concerts, walking, biking, travel, dancing and dining out, wants to meet a family-oriented SWCM, 42-52. Ad# 8317

COMPANIONSHIP

Outgoing, honest and fun-loving, describes this Catholic DWF, 50, 5'9", looking for friendship with a Catholic SWM, 45-55. Ad# 4536

FRESH START

Hardworking, Catholic DWF, 48, 5'3", who enjoys walking, movies and going to church, is looking for a compatible, caring, Catholic WWWW, 48-52, without children at home, for friendship first. Ad# 3907

NEW TO THE AREA

Sweet DWCPF, 27, 5'9", is seeking an honest, caring SWCM, 48 or under, who is interested in a long-term relationship. Ad# 1531

LOVE'S IN THE AIR

Sensitive, caring DWF, 52, 5'5", with auburn hair and green eyes, whose interests include travel, cooking, movies, nature walks and dining out, is hoping to meet a SWM, 51-58. Ad# 1203

UNTIL NOW

Friendly, down-to-earth SWF, 47, 5'2", who enjoys the outdoors, hockey, golf, hiking and more, is seeking a SWM, 40-51, for a possible relationship. Ad# 2451

VALUES HUMOR

Catholic DWF, 57, 5'3", 125lbs., with long blonde hair, who enjoys crafts, dining out and reading, is ISO a humorous, Catholic SWM, 50-60. Ad# 2041

HONESTY COUNTS

SWC mom of one, 25, 5'9", enjoys the outdoors, drama movies and quiet times at home. She seeks an honest, compassionate SWCM, 27-34, without children at home. Ad# 8498

LET'S TALK

Settle down with this SWPCF, 47, 5'2", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys cooking, travel and church activities. She's seeking a nice, Born-Again SWCM, 45-55, for a possible relationship. Ad# 3333

SOUND LIKE YOU?

Catholic DWF, 59, 5'6", with blonde hair and hazel eyes, would love to meet an honest, humorous SWCM, 58-67, a N/S, who's interested in friendship and companionship. She enjoys traveling, movies, dancing, reading and more. Ad# 3131

POSITIVE VIBES HERE

Leave a message for this personable DWCF, 50, 5'4", who enjoys rollerblading, bicycling and keeping active. She wants to meet an outgoing SWCM, over 47, for friendship first. Ad# 1199

CHILD OF GOD

Outgoing, friendly DWCF, 49, 5'4", who resides in the Redford area, enjoys sewing, antiques and movies. She's seeking a secure, independent DWCM, under 56, for friendship first. Ad# 5321

BE MY COMPANION

SWCF, 56, 5'4", with blondish-red hair and blue eyes, full-figured, who enjoys reading and movies, is seeking a SWM, 55-62. Ad# 2433

WALKS WITH THE LORD

Get to know this vibrant, classy DWCF, 47, 5'6", with dark hair/eyes, if you're a SWCM who enjoys meeting new friends, dancing, dining out, movies and great conversation. Ad# 1236

MAKE THE CONNECTION

Looking for a long-term relationship? Make it happen with this DWF, 33, 5'5", because she is searching for a Born-Again SWCM, 34-40, N/S. Ad# 8565

GOD IS FIRST

Devoted SBC mom, 25, 5'9", who enjoys romantic dinners, movies, dancing and singing, wants to meet a family-oriented SBCM, 25-36. Ad# 6623

GREAT TIMES AHEAD

She's an outgoing and friendly DWC mom, 42, 5'3", who's looking to share life and great times with a SWCM, 37-48. Her interests include the outdoors, traveling, Bible study and hopes that yours do too. Ad# 1122

LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU

Self-employed SWF, 33, who enjoys walking her dog, the outdoors and more, is looking for an educated, hardworking SWM. Ad# 4734

IF YOU'RE A POLISHED...

Gentleman, call this humorous, Catholic DWPF, 63, 5'6", N/S. She's seeking a Catholic SWM, 55-66, a good conversationalist, who enjoys travel, fine dining, shopping and more. Ad# 5454

START AS FRIENDS

Catholic SW mom, 40, 5'8", a brunette, who enjoys hockey, reading, bowling, baseball, long walks, dining out and romantic evenings, is looking for a Catholic SWM, 30-50. Ad# 2828

SIMPLY YOURS

SWF, 50, 5'5", who enjoys music, the arts and more, is seeking a warm-hearted SWM, 40-60. Ad# 9114

CONSIDER ME

Personable, brown-eyed blonde DWCF, 50, 5'4", slender, is seeking an educated SWPM, 45-60, without children. Ad# 2323

SIMPLY MARVELOUS

Down-to-earth, Born-Again DWCF, 44, 5'3", with blonde hair and blue eyes, N/S, enjoys bicycling, Bible study, dancing, movies, music and more. She's seeking a compatible, Born-Again DWCM, 35-50. Ad# 4240

IT HAS TO BE YOU

Catholic DWF, 60, 5'6", who enjoys traveling, movies, the theater, walking, dancing and gardening, seeks a loving SWM, 59-64. Ad# 3138



Light Up Your Life With Romance

AVAILABLE

Childless, Catholic SWPF, 30, 5'5", is interested in meeting a Catholic SWPM, 27-35, for quality time together. Ad# 1126

DISCOVER ME

Catholic SWPF, 32, 5'11", who enjoys working out, reading and traveling, would like to meet a Catholic SWPM, 30-45. Ad# 1475

BE SURE TO SMILE

Spice up your life, be sure to call this friendly, sincere SWPF, 39, 5'5", who is hoping to hear from a considerate, honest SWM, age unimportant. She enjoys movies and music, dancing and spending time with friends. Ad# 7733

ALL THAT & MORE

Slender, upbeat SWF, 42, 5'6", who enjoys outdoor activities, country music and dining out, is looking for a possible relationship with a gentle, active SWM, 42-55, with a good sense of humor. Ad# 2655

ONLY THE BEST

Educated WWWWCM, 49, 5'11", 195lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys boating, fishing, movies, fine dining and trying new things, is ISO an attractive, affectionate SCF, age unimportant. Ad# 9876

FAITH & DEVOTION

Pleasant, never-married SWPCF, 42, 5'10", with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys fine dining, concerts, movies, sports and walking, is interested in meeting a compatible SWCF, under 37, N/S. Ad# 1111

IT'S FATE

Never-married SWPM, 40, 6'1", 190lbs., is looking for a fit, petite SW mom, 28-44, for a romantic, monogamous long-term relationship. Ad# 4251

NEW IN TOWN

Call this friendly DWC dad, 29, 6'2", 125lbs., with brown hair and green eyes. He's seeking an outgoing SWF, under 40, who enjoys riding horses, outdoor sports and living life to the fullest. Ad# 3841

DELIGHTFUL

Never-married Catholic SWM, 50, 5'11", 180lbs., who is active in his church choir, enjoys children, dancing, walking, movies, music and good conversation. He wants to meet a SWCF, under 50, for a long-term relationship. Ad# 3580

LOOKING FOR MS. RIGHT

Catholic SWM, 42, 6'1", who enjoys sports and family activities, is seeking a sincere, Catholic SAF, under 45, for a long-term relationship. Ad# 2942

HONESTY COUNTS

Never-married, friendly SWM, 44, who enjoys Bible studies and outdoor activities, the theater and weekend get-aways, is seeking a fit, pretty SWF. Ad# 4141

JUST YOU AND I

Considerate SWCM, 36, 6'3", who enjoys working out, has his heart set on finding that one special lady, a sweet, sincere SWCF, 28-38, to share interests, friendship and a possible LTR. Ad# 2739

LET'S GET ACQUAINTED

Outgoing, friendly, caring, honest DWCM, 59, 6', 195lbs., with brown hair and green eyes, is ISO a slender-to-medium-built SWCF, 55-65, to get to know. Ad# 6211

HONESTY COUNTS

Shy SWM, 42, 6', who enjoys sports, the theater, spending time with family and friends, seeks a slender, romantic SF, 30-45, for a possible relationship. Ad# 4123

HE COULD BE THE ONE

Catholic DWM, 41, 5'6", of Italian heritage, who enjoys skiing and boating, wishes to meet a Catholic SWF, under 41, without children at home. Ad# 2015

HOPES & DREAMS

Never-married Catholic SWM, 25, 6'2", 240lbs., with brown hair, who enjoys playing pool, traveling and quiet times at home, is searching for a Catholic SWF, under 32. Ad# 2222

PATIENTLY WAITING

He is a humorous Catholic SWPM, 36, 5'10", who's waiting to hear from a SWCF, 24-35. He enjoys the outdoors, working out and spending time with family activities. Ad# 7000

GET IN STEP

If a meaningful relationship is what you're looking for, be sure to call this athletic SWM, 35, who enjoys sports and outdoor activities. His choice will be an outgoing, sensitive SWF, 25-45. Ad# 4163

ONE OF A KIND

Down to earth, custodial SW dad, 40, 5'9", brown hair/hazel eyes, enjoys everything, loves barbecue's, candlelight dinners, cedar point and camping, seeks LTR, with sincere, caring, loving, slender SWF, 30-42, with or without kids. West Bloomfield area. Ad# 5858

AVID DOWNHILL SKIER

Handsome SWCPM, 36, 5'7", 140lbs., likes outdoor activities, golfing, travel and fun things with friends. He's looking for a SWF, 23-38, who realizes how important honesty is to a relationship. Ad# 1550

DESTINY

Outgoing, self-employed SWM, 38, 5'11", with brown hair, who enjoys hockey, working out and the outdoors, is seeking an open-minded SWF, 28-38, who is willing to try new things. Ad# 1999

AMAZING GRACE

Born-Again DWC dad of two, 36, 6'1", who enjoys church activities, working on cars and more, is seeking a well-rounded SWCF, 44 or under. Ad# 1944

SEARCHING

Outgoing, friendly DWCM, 48, 5'7", with long brown hair, who enjoys street rods, the outdoors and concerts, is seeking a sweet, kind-hearted SWCF, 40-50. Ad# 6900

SETTLE DOWN

Personable SWJPM, 52, 5'8", with dark hair/eyes, who enjoys music, dancing and more, is seeking a sweet, humorous SWJF, 45-50, for a happy life together. Ad# 4567

HEART-TO-HEART

Born-Again SWCM, 22, 6'4", with black hair and brown eyes, self-employed, N/S, from the Redford area, who enjoys Bible study, movies, swimming and children, is ISO a SWF, 18-25, with similar interests. Ad# 4653

LET'S MEET SOON

Sincere SWM, 33, 5'8", seeks an affectionate, attractive SWF, under 35, who enjoys dining out, movies and fun. Ad# 9865

MAKE THAT CHOICE

Handsome, slim SWCM, 40, 5'9", who enjoys children, the outdoors and biking, is seeking a kind, loving SWF, under 42. Ad# 4545

PUTS GOD FIRST

This wonderful DWCM, 42, 5'9", is seeking a SWCF, 28-44, who enjoys the outdoors and puts God first in her life. Ad# 6667

ONCE IN A LIFETIME

Handsome SWPM, 36, 6', 180lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, is seeking an attractive SWCF who enjoys sports, movies, dining out and more. Ad# 1534

ARE YOU MY LADY?

DWCM, 56, 6'1", who's shy at first, is looking for a happy, fun-loving SWC lady, who takes care of herself. Ad# 1885

OPEN YOUR HEART TO ME

Hardworking, Catholic DWM, 47, 6', 195lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, seeks a Catholic SWF, 35-55, for friendship first. Ad# 3524

THE MARRYING KIND

Shy DWM, 26, 5'10", 175lbs., with brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys movies, bowling, fishing and traveling, seeks a faithful DWF, under 26. Ad# 2328

HONESTY TOPS MY LIST

Reserved SWM, 39, 6', with blond hair and blue eyes, who enjoys bike riding, dancing, dining out and the outdoors, seeks a SWCF, 32-44, for an honest relationship. Ad# 4275

FIND OUT TODAY

SWM, 41, 5'10", seeks an intelligent, honest SWF, 30-45, who enjoys music, writing, reading, drawing and painting. Ad# 1951

HONESTY COUNTS

Handsome DWPCM, 44, 6'1", who enjoys youth ministry, outdoor activities, movies and more, is seeking a slender, romantic SWCF, 30-44, without children. Ad# 2843

MOMS WELCOME

Handsome and athletic DWM, 39, 6'1", who enjoys traveling, and more, seeks a slender SWCF, 28-44, to share life with. Ad# 2415

CONFIDENT

Very handsome and honest SWCM, 33, 6'3", 185lbs., with hazel eyes, is seeking a SWF, 25-41, for a possible relationship. Ad# 1201

FAMILY-ORIENTED

Charming SWCM, 42, 6'1", who enjoys outdoor activities, the theatre and dining out, is seeking a fun-loving SCF, for a LTR. Ad# 1414

SOMEONE SPECIAL

Professional SBM, 37, 6'2", is looking to meet a slender, attractive, outgoing SWF, for a monogamous relationship. He enjoys dining out, movies and working out. Ad# 1961

A GOOD GUY TO KNOW

Hoping to meet you soon is this friendly DWCM, 47, 5'11", who enjoys movies, sports, good conversation and dining out. Leave him a message if you're a DWCF, with similar interests. Ad# 8709

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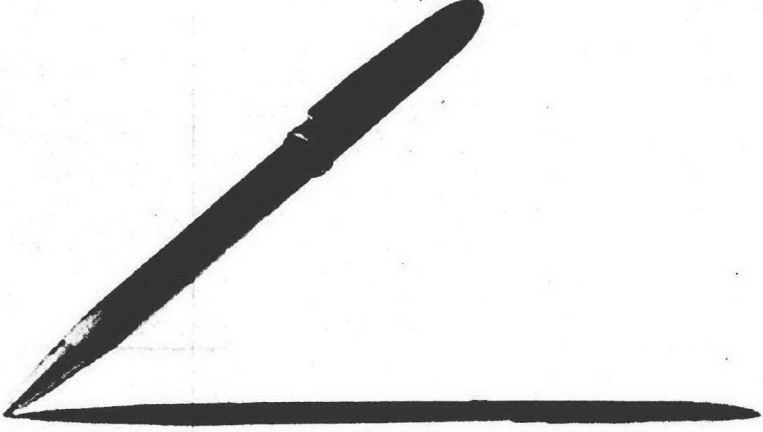
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THE WEEKEND

FRIDAY



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SUNDAY



Join the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, led by Neeme Jarvi, for "A Gershwin Gala" 7:30 p.m. at the Meadow Brook Music Festival, on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester Hills. Tickets \$13 to \$45, call (248) 645-6666 or (313) 576-5120, discounts for students under age 18.

HOT



Hot Tix: The Michigan Jazz Festival, noon to 10:30 p.m. Sunday, July 18 at Schoolcraft College on Haggerty Road, between Six and Seven Mile Roads in Livonia, features 189 musicians, including Janet Tenaj, performing on four stages. No charge for admission. Call (248) 474-2720 or (734) 469-2454 for more information.

Forerunners: Tim Weisberg and Jeff Lorber headline this year's Birmingham JazzFest. Both are credited with defining the "smooth jazz" sound.



Birmingham JazzFest reaches for the stars

Weisberg, Lorber, local legends featured performers

By FRANK PROVENZANO
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For Alexander Zonjic, arguably the region's most-often heard and recognized jazz musician, the key to longevity is keeping it simple.

"This isn't my main gig. My focus is playing the flute," said Zonjic, as he sat at the sound controls in the Smooth Jazz radio studios in Farmington Hills, where he hosts a week-day morning-drive show.

Listeners on 98.7 FM have heard Zonjic's rapidly smooth on-air delivery, encyclopedic knowledge of jazz, not to mention his interviews with superstars such as Kenny G, Vanessa Williams and Harry Connick, Jr.

With seven albums over the last two decades, including the critically acclaimed "Passion," and recently released, "Pipers' Holiday," the local Pied Piper of jazz has also become a promoter and diplomat.

Zonjic has applied his straight-ahead philosophy of "keeping it simple" as the new artistic director for next week's seventh annual Birmingham JazzFest, presented by The Community House of Birmingham.

"My vision is for this festival to have an eclectic mix," he said.

The mix is highlighted by two of the forerunners of the "Smooth Jazz" sound, flutist Tim Weisberg, and keyboardist Jeff Lorber, a fusion-style musician and producer. Weisberg, widely known for his 1978 multi-platinum duet album with Dan Fogelberg, "Twin Sons of Different Mothers," also played with Jefferson Starship, and Loggins & Messina.

After the past several years of struggling to gain wider public appeal, this year's festival has an



STAFF PHOTO BY ELIZABETH CARNOGIE

At the controls: Alexander Zonjic, artistic director of the Birmingham JazzFest, has put together an eclectic line up of performers.

upbeat, eclectic feel with a line-up that features performers of jazz variants from fusion to the straight-ahead style of Marcus Belgrave to melodically mellow "smooth" rhythms of Weisberg, who also plays classical music.

There's also a few pleasant surprises, particularly Pamela Wise and the Afro Cuban All Stars, and the Chautauqua Express, a Saturday morning show for kids.

"The ideal at festivals is for people to come see their favorite act and see new stuff," said Zonjic, who also coordinates "Jazz on the River" in Trenton, and "Jazz on the Lake" at

St. Mary's College in Orchard Lake.

The festival takes place in downtown Birmingham's Shain Park, an upscale urban setting that also hosts a spring and fall art fair. Within blocks of the park are some of the area's most popular restaurants, where many local jazz musicians will be performing in conjunction with the festival.

While there's hardly a shortage of music in and around downtown Birmingham, organizers concede there's been a lack of big-name appeal during the previous six years of the festival.

"The jazz world shares the predicament with the classical world," said Zonjic. "There's a lot of quality performers but not a lot of marquee names."

For years, Zonjic has opened the Thursday-Saturday jazz fest to overflow crowds. But unlike in past years, when Zonjic leaves the stage this year he won't take his sophisticated sound system with him.

It's one of several fine adjustments made by Arlene Kass, who is in her first year as director of special events at The Community House.

Hiring Zonjic was key in putting together the talent with a quality venue, said Kass. Some critics contend, however, that the festival's show-mobile stage and under-sized sound systems hasn't helped the presentation, nor the festival's reputation.

"Alex (Zonjic) has an intense interest in making the festival a mini Montreaux," said Kass.

"We realized that the festival was stuck in place," she said. "It hasn't grown in scope like we thought it would. Our goal is to make it a mini Montreaux, and for the park to be so crowded it's impossible to walk."

Birmingham JazzFest

WHEN: Thursday-Saturday, July 22-24

WHERE: Shain Park, downtown Birmingham, south of Maple Road, between Harbottle and Sixth Streets. Participating restaurants are located nearby. A trolley will make rounds to restaurants on Friday & Saturday.

ADMISSION: Free. For more information, call (248) 433-FEST.

THURSDAY, JULY 22

7 p.m. - Alexander Zonjic and Friends

FRIDAY, JULY 23

7 p.m. - Marcus Belgrave and the Detroit Jazz All Stars

9 p.m. Friday, July 23 - Tim Weisberg, flutist

SATURDAY, JULY 24

11 a.m. - Chautauqua Express for KIDS

1 p.m. - Vocalist Kimmie Horn

2:30 p.m. - Randy Scott, saxophonist

4 p.m. - Jazz pianist Pamela Wise and the Afro Cuban All Stars

5:30 p.m. - Ken Navarro, guitarist

7 p.m. - Jeff Lorber, keyboardist

Coming from the Capital Jazz Festival in Washington, D.C., keyboardist Lorber, a familiar performer in the metro area, has played at outdoor festivals since the late 1970s.

Three features of a successful festival, according to Lorber, include an appreciative audience, a quality sound system and a comfortable environment.

"The festival is a community in itself, musicians getting together to collaborate," said Lorber. "We play, of course, every chance we get."

For most musicians, it's as simple as that.

MUSIC FESTIVAL

Buzz is the blues at international festival



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HERSCHMANN

Part of Bluesfest: The local blues band Black Beauty performs during the four-day Bluesfest International.

By CHRISTINA FUOCO
STAFF WRITER

Craig Bender knows first hand the power of the blues.

Three years ago, he, blues fan Ted Boomer and Todd Smith, one of the owners of the Novi Expo Center, founded the four-day, two-country music party International Bluesfest. The trio has since watched the festival explode.

"We've been blessed," Bender said. "With our second year, we were 100 percent over our previous year. We're hopeful, but not that optimistic about this year. But we're pretty darn optimistic. The buzz is the blues."

This year, the International Blues-

fest runs Thursday-Sunday, July 15-18, at the Novi Expo Center and the Civic Terrace Festival Site in downtown Windsor. Featured performers include Shirley King, Buddy Guy, Buckwheat Zydeco, Rik Emmett, Big Rude Jake, Mudpuppy, Bugs Beddow Band, and Wailin' Inc.

More than 50 artists from six different countries perform during the Bluesfest, the world's only blues festival that concurrently takes place in two countries.

The International Bluesfest isn't limited to just blues, however.

Canada's Big Rude Jake is a popular jump blues/swing band, while Imperial Swing Orchestra is pure swing.



Canadian Big Rude Jake

"We really kind of go all over the board. There's so many different kinds of blues. For the longest time, people have the stereotype of a large black man with a guitar."

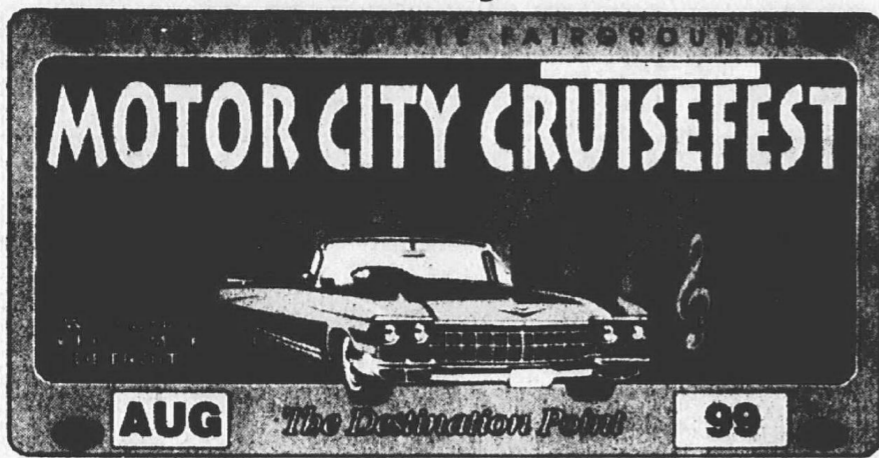
"Quite honestly, things have made a full-faced turn. There's all kinds of different blues," Bender explained.

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There is a different theme nightly in Novi. On opening night, Thursday, the \$5 admission is donated to the ENSURE Foundation to benefit Children's Hospital. The following night, the first 1,000 people receive a free commemorative tuxedo jacket, sunglasses and cigar.

'People are willing to pay for these tuxedo jackets by about midnight. It has all the acts on the back for the year,' Bender said. 'That's also Buddy Guy night that Friday. He's a four-time Grammy Award-winner. He has taught Jimi Hendrix, Stevie Ray Vaughan, Jimmy Page, also Eddie Van Halen.'

Mardi Gras is the theme for Saturday, which features headliner Buckwheat Zydeco.

The same bands perform in Windsor throughout the four days. Big Rude Jake plays on Thursday, Buckwheat Zydeco on Friday, Buddy Guy on Saturday, and Eddy 'the Chief' Clearwater on Sunday.

See chart or visit http://www.bluesfestint.com for a complete schedule.

But there's more. Several sub-events surround the festival sites. The mobile Harley Davidson National Museum and the C.A.R.T. Museum will hold camp in Novi. Local restaurants Damon's, Oxford Inn, Beale Street Blues, Chef Louie's and Clubhouse Barbeque will compete during the Farmer Jack/pepsi Rib and Chicken Cook Off. Last year Clubhouse Barbeque took home the prize.

The weekend is capped off with the Motor Cities Blues Awards, named as such because 'Windsor is the motor capital of Canada, just like Detroit is to the United States,' Bender said.

Previous winners include Mudpuppy and Jocelyn B.

'It's just perfect. It's a perfect adult night out. You get a group of your friends and you just go have a good time. The buzz is the blues.'

Bluesfest International

What: features more than 50 artists performing Thursday-Sunday, July 15-18, in Windsor, Ontario, Canada, and Novi Expo Center. For more information, call Ticketmaster at (248) 645-6666 or visit http://www.bluesfestint.com.

Tickets are available at Fifth Avenue Billiards and Ballroom in Royal Oak and Novi, respectively, Local Colors Brewery in Novi, the Oxford Inn in Novi, Damon's restaurants in Canton, Sterling Heights and Wyandotte, and Mr. Allen's and Unique restaurants.

Novi

The Novi performances take place at Novi Expo Center, I-96 and Novi Road, Novi. The telephone number is (248) 366-1060.

Thursday, July 15: Doors open at 5 p.m. Tickets are \$5. All gate proceeds donated to ENSURE to benefit Children's Hospital, Detroit.

Bugs Beddow Band (6:40, 8:20 and 10:30 p.m.), Big Rude Jake (7:10 p.m.), Al Hill and The Love Butlers (9 p.m.), and Shirley King (11 p.m.).

Friday, July 16: Doors open at 5 p.m. Tickets are \$15. Free commemorative tuxedos to the first 1,000 people.

Kristin Sayer (6:45 and 10:45 p.m.), Robert Jones (7 p.m.), Bugs Beddow Band (7:45 p.m.), Mem Shannon and the Membership (9:30 p.m.), and Buddy Guy (11:15 p.m.).

Saturday, July 17: Doors open at 5 p.m. \$15.

Wailin' Inc. (6, 7:40 and 10:45 p.m.), Jocelyn B. (6:30 p.m.), Andy J. Forest and Tony D. (8 p.m.), Bill 'The Sauce Boss' Wharton (9:45 p.m.), and Buckwheat Zydeco (11:30 p.m.).

Sunday, July 18: Doors open at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 per family.

GRR (3 and 4:30 p.m.), Sun Messengers (3:30 p.m.), Eddy 'The Chief' Clearwater (5:15 p.m.), Rik Emmett (6:30 p.m.).

Dawn Campbell and Blue Fusion (7:20 p.m. and 9:15 p.m.), Mudpuppy (8 p.m.), Big Bill Morganfield, Pinetop Perkins and Steady Rollin' Bob Margolin (9:45 p.m.).

Windsor

The Windsor performances take place at the Civic Terrace Festival site, 300 Riverside Dr. E., Windsor. The phone number is (519) 977-9631.

Thursday, July 15: Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$5.

Robert Jones (7:15 p.m.), Shirley King (8 p.m.), Kristin Sayer (9:15 and 11 p.m.), GRR (10 p.m.), and Big Rude Jake (11:40 p.m.).

Friday, July 16: Doors open at 5 p.m. Tickets are \$15.

Jo Serrapere (6 p.m.), Mudpuppy (6:45 p.m.), Andy Forest with Tony D (8:15 p.m.), Bill 'The Sauce Boss' Wharton (9:45 p.m.), Tartan Army (11:15 p.m.), Buckwheat Zydeco (11:45 p.m.).

Saturday, July 17: Zeller's Kidsfest, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. features Baddest Axe in Town Contest (2 p.m.), and Battle of the Bands (4 p.m.). Tickets are \$5 per family.

Saturday, July 17: Doors open at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$20.

JD Project (6:15 p.m.), Starlight Drifters (7 p.m.), Mem Shannon and the Membership (7:45 p.m.), Big Bill Morganfield, Pinetop Perkins and Steady Rollin' Bob Margolin (9:30 p.m.), The Hitmen (11 p.m.), and Buddy Guy (11:30 p.m.).

Sunday, July 18: Doors open at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$5.

Great Lakes Music Clinic (1 p.m.), Shakin' Hoodoos with Alberta Adams (2:45 p.m.), Rik Emmett (3:45 p.m.), Shakin' Hoodoos (4:15 p.m.), Imperial Swing Orchestra (5 p.m.), Al Hill and the Love Butlers (6:15 p.m. and 8:45 p.m.), Son Seals with the Bilhman Brothers (7:15 p.m.), and Eddy 'The Chief' Clearwater with Johnny V. (10 p.m.).

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Tiles celebrates release of 'Presents of Mind'

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO
STAFF WRITER

Chris Herin's voice barely raises above a whisper when he talks about working with legendary progressive rock producer/engineer Terry Brown.

It's somewhat surprising, given that some of Herin's earliest musical influences were King Crimson, Yes, Kansas, Jethro Tull and the band with whom Brown worked the most, Rush.

Just like his demeanor, Herin explained he managed to stay calm and cool during the mixing of "Presents of Mind" (Magna Carta), the latest album from his band Tiles.

"It was exciting, that's for sure. I guess the only thing that tempers the situation is the fact that you're there to work on your project or you're there to play your instruments. You can't be too excited and goofy about it and blow your opportunity, so to speak," said Herin, Tiles' guitarist.

"These guys have been around for awhile. You don't want to cross that line from your working relationship into too much of a fan aspect. You want to be courteous and respectful. I'm sure they definitely enjoy hearing the influences."

Brown's influence fills "Presents of Mind," the third album for the Downriver-based band. The first two albums, "Tiles" and "Fence the Clear" were by-the-book prog rock. But Herin explained the band took a few liberties with "Presents of Mind."

"We consciously stepped away from the philosophy we used on 'Fence the Clear,' which was to stay a little truer to our live reputation and not do so many overdubs. In theory, it isn't bad. We just thought in hindsight that some of the songs were a little sparse in the arrangement area," explained Herin, who's in his "mid-30s."

"When we started to work on 'Presents of Mind,' we figured the CD will probably outlast the band so there's no sense in putting everything into it. That's where you probably hear a lot more backing vocals, more keyboards for background and texture, and lots of different acoustic instruments."

While recording at Stages Recording Studio, which recently moved from Novi to South Lyon, Herin took on mandolin, banjo, and "lots of different kinds of acoustic guitars."

When the recording was finished, Herin took the tapes to Brown's studio, Town Music

Studios, in Toronto where he mixed the record. Production wrapped up in late October.

"Presents of Mind" is Tiles' first album for Magna Carta Records, a prog rock label based in New York. The label released the album overseas first, offering it in Europe in February, South America and Argentina in March, and Japan in April.

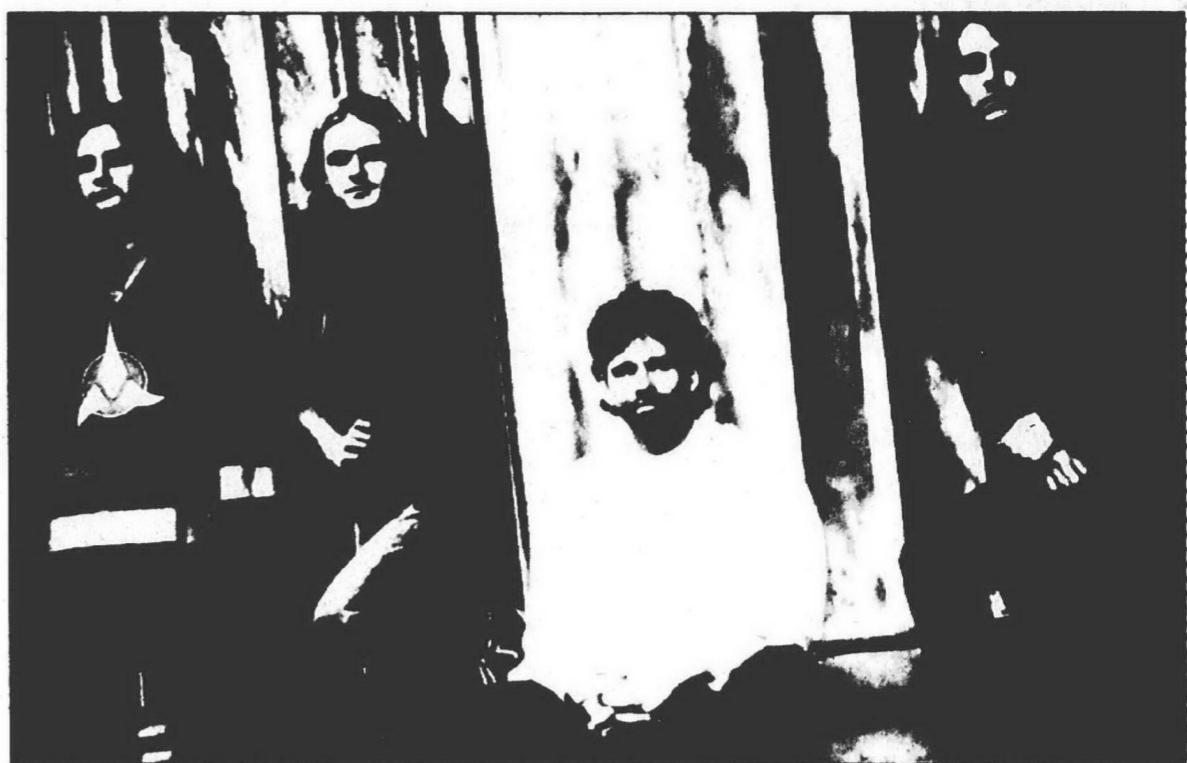
Herin explained that Tiles doesn't have a big following in other countries but "it keeps us in business."

"We've done about 4,000 in Europe," he said of sales of previous albums. "We've had a real good radio response in Europe. We've done lots of on-air interviews. They play a bunch of the songs, so I think that's really helped make a difference."

The United States has been slow to pick up on Tiles for several reasons, Herin explained.

"We haven't had a bad response here. The music that we play is somewhat more underground than what you hear on the radio. There's just so much music. We're competing with every single band that exists including all major-label bands. Classic rock stations don't play anything new, that type of thing."

"As a genre, progressive hard



Celebrating release: The prog rock band Tiles celebrates the release of its new album, "Presents of Mind" with a performance Saturday, July 17, at Magic Bag in Ferndale.

rock-type stuff is underground except for Dream Theater. There are definitely some bands like that that are kind of mainstream. We straddle that line between regular hard rock and

maybe some of the more progressive stuff."

Tiles celebrates the release of "Presents of Mind" with a party and performance Saturday, July 17, at the Magic Bag, 22920

Woodward Ave., Ferndale. There is a cover charge for the 18 and older show. Doors open at 8 p.m. For more information, call (248) 544-3030 or visit <http://www.themagicbag.com>

BIRMINGHAM JAZZFEST RESTAURANT ENTERTAINMENT

Here is the schedule for groups playing at restaurants in downtown Birmingham during JazzFest. See related story on Entertainment front.

- Thursday-Saturday, July 22-24**
- Bad Frog Tavern** — 555 Old Woodward, (248) 642-9400
 - 9 p.m.-midnight, Thursday — Soul Mechanix
 - 9 p.m.-midnight, Friday — Kristyn Smith & Blackstone
 - 9 p.m.-midnight, Saturday — The Notebenders
 - Bates Street Cafe** — 380 S. Bates, (248) 644-5832
 - 9 p.m.-midnight, Thurs.-Sat. — Charles & Gwen Scales
 - Big Rock Chop & Brewhouse** — 245 S. Eaton, (248) 647-7774
 - 8 p.m. & midnight, Thursday Sat. — Larry Nozero
 - 6:30 & 10:30 p.m., Thursday Sat. — The Warren Commission
 - Dick O'Dows** — 150 Maple, (248) 642-1135
 - 9:30 p.m. 1:30 a.m. Thurs-

- day — Mack Jazz Trio
 - 9:30 p.m. 1:30 a.m. Friday — Dan Cathane & Friends
- Edison's** — 220 Merrill Street, (248) 645-2150
 - 8:30 p.m.-midnight, Thursday — Mark Moultrup Trio
 - 8:30 p.m. 12:30 a.m. Friday — Rob Pihlo Jump-Swing Quartet
 - 9 p.m. 1 a.m. Saturday — Dwight Adams Quartet
- Forte** — 201 Old Woodward, (248) 594-7300
 - 9 p.m. 1 p.m. Thursday-Saturday — Ursula Walker & Buddy Budson
- Max & Erma's** — 250 Merrill Street, (248) 258-1188
 - 9 p.m.-midnight Thursday-Saturday — Tim Flaherty Trio
- Midtown Cafe** — 139 Woodward, (248) 642-1133
 - 8:30 p.m. 12:30 a.m. Thursday-Saturday — Dee Dee McNeil Trio
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 - 7:11 p.m. Friday & Saturday — Phillip Ogletre Jazz Trio

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OPERA

THE THREE TENORS
Featuring Luciano Pavarotti, Placido Domingo and Jose Carreras, 7 p.m. Saturday, July 17, Tiger Stadium, Detroit. \$50-\$350. (248) 645-6666; Premium packages available through Michigan Opera Theatre. (313) 237-3433/(313) 983-6616

COMMUNITY THEATER

P.T.D. PRODUCTIONS
"The Boys Next Door," a play about four mentally handicapped men living in a communal residence, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, July 15-17, at the Riverside Arts Center, 76 N. Huron Street, Ypsilanti. \$12, \$9 seniors/students. (734) 483-7345

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"WAITING FOR GODOT"
7 p.m. Friday, July 16, and 2 p.m. Sundays, July 18 and 25 in the Outdoor Amphitheatre behind the Longacre House, Farmington Hills. (248) 645-1576.

DINNER THEATER

DAVE & BUSTER'S
Mystery Dinner Theater production of "A Friendly Game of Death," 8 p.m. Saturdays through Aug. 14, at northeast corner of M-59 and M-53, Utica. \$32.95. (810) 930-1515

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

CHILDREN'S THEATRE ACADEMY
"Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs," 6:30 p.m. (junior cast) and 8 p.m. (senior cast) Thursday, July 15, at the Community House Auditorium, 380 South Bates Streets, Birmingham. \$5. (248) 644-5832

NOVI THEATRES
"Beauty & The Beast," Friday-Sunday, July 30-31 and Aug. 1, at the Novi Civic Center Stage, 45175 West 10 Mile, Novi. \$8, \$7 advance. (248) 347-0400

SPECIAL EVENTS

TOMMY DORSEY ORCHESTRA
Appearing 7 p.m. Friday, July 23 at Excalibur Banquet Center, 28875 Franklin Road, Southfield. Tickets \$25 per person, cash bar and hors d'oeuvre menu available. Buddy Morrow conducts. Call (248) 358-3355 for ticket information.

"ARTISANS AFTERGLOW"
The Ann Arbor Artisans' Market Art Fair Afterglow will be held 5-10 p.m. Saturday, July 24 and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, July 25, David Swain and his band play swing, blues, jazz and rock 6-10 p.m. Saturday, acoustic guitarist Ken King performs traditional and modern folk music noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, wide variety of arts and crafts will be for sale, at the City Market, 315 Detroit Street in Kerrytown.

DEPOT TOWN CREEK NIGHTS
Hundreds of street rods rumble into Depot Town 6-9 p.m. Thursdays through Sept. 9. Cross Street in Ypsilanti. (734) 483-4444 or www.ypsilanti.org

DRIKER YIDDISH CULTURE FUND CONCERT
Noon Thursday, July 15, features trio singing songs in English, Russian Hebrew and Yiddish, at the Jewish Community Center's Jimmy Prentiss Morris Building, 15110 W. 10 Mile, Oak Park. \$1. (248) 967-4030

MICHIGAN SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL
Featuring performances of "Hamlet" and "Twelfth Night," Thursday-Sunday, July 22-25, Thursday-Sunday, July 29-Aug. 1, and Thursday-Sunday, Aug. 1-8, in Jackson. \$12, \$8 ages 12 and younger. (517) 788-5032 or <http://www.michshakespeare.org>

REDFORD THEATRE
Film "Shall We Dance?," with guest organist Gus Borman, 7:30 p.m. organ overture followed by 8 p.m. film Friday, July 23, and 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. overtures with 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. films, Saturday, July 24,



Featured artist: Louis Smith is performing at The Michigan Jazz Festival on Sunday.

Michigan Jazz Festival Schedule
When: Noon to 10:30 p.m. Sunday, July 18.
Where: Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile roads, Livonia.
Tickets: Free. For more information, call (248) 474-2720 or (734) 459-2454.

Innart Stage (Forum Building F-530)
■ Matt Michaels/Jack Broken-sha Quartet, 12:15 p.m.
■ Barbara Ware Quartet, 1:45 p.m.
■ Dennis & April Tini Quintet, 3:15 p.m.
■ Naima Shamborguer Quartet, 4:45 p.m.
■ Louis Smith Quartet, 6:15 p.m.
■ Paul Vornhagen Quartet, 7:45 p.m.

■ Ron Kischuk & The Tartarsauce Traditional Jazz Band, 3:30 p.m.
■ Jim Stefanov's Latin Jazz Combine, 5 p.m.
■ The World's Oldest Living Saxophone Octet, 6:30 p.m.
■ Bess Bonier Quartet, 8 p.m.
■ Sheila Landis Quintet, 9:30 p.m.

Lear Stage (Tent)
■ Scool Jazz/Prime, noon
■ Tom Saunders & The Detroit All-Stars, 1:30 p.m.
■ Alma Smith Quintet, 3 p.m.
■ Steve Wood Quintet, 4:30 p.m.
■ George Benson Quartet, 6 p.m.
■ Jam Session, 7:30 p.m.
■ Janet Tenaj Quartet, 9 p.m.

Cohen/Moro Stage (Upper Waterman Center)
■ New Generation, 12:45 p.m.
■ Ed Nuccilli & The Plural Circle, 3 p.m.
■ Brookside Jazz Ensemble, 5:15 p.m.
■ Jim Wyse Jazz Quintet, 7:15 p.m.
■ Johnny Trudell's Big Band, 9 p.m.

Magna/Woodbridge Stage (Lower Waterman Center)
■ Pistol Allen Quintet, 12:30 p.m.
■ Larry Nozero Quartet, 2 p.m.

Historic Redford Theatre, 17360 Lahser Road, Detroit. \$2.50. (313) 537-2560 or <http://theatreorgans.com/mi/redford>

SAILING CHALLENGE
Bacardi Bayview Mackinac race begins in Port Huron, 11:30 a.m. Saturday, July 17 and ends Tuesday, July 20 on Mackinac Island. The first boats are expected to arrive on the island in the early morning hours of Monday.

TEDDY BEAR SHOW AND SALE
10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sunday, July 18, at Weber's Inn, I-94 exit 172 Jackson Road, Ann Arbor. \$5, \$1.50 children. (502) 423-STAR or www.bright-star-productions.com

YANKEE AIR MUSEUM
Mustang Round up featuring P-51 Mustangs, Heinkel He-111, B-17 Flying Fortress "Sentimental Journey," and over 50 classic Ford Mustangs, air flight demonstrations throughout the day, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, July 17-18, off Beck Road, at Willow Run Airport, Belleville. \$4, \$3 children/seniors; World War II Symposium featuring guest speakers Gunther Lal, Bud Anderson and Robert Morgan 6 p.m. Saturday, July 17, \$35. (734) 483-4030

BENEFITS

CRANBROOK HOUSE AND GARDENS
6:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 6, 380 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 645-3147

"JUST ZOO IT"
Gift of Life 5K Run and 1.5 mile Fun Walk to celebrate the gift of life and learn more about organ and tissue donation, 9 a.m. Saturday, July 17, rain or shine, at the Detroit Zoo, 8450 W. 10 Mile, Royal Oak. \$20. Includes zoo admission, two free tickets to the Detroit Rockers home opener Nov. 7 and commemorative T-shirt. Children under age 10 admitted free to the zoo before 10 a.m. (877) 966-6863

FAMILY EVENTS

HIGHLAND RECREATION AREA
"Special Seeds," 10 a.m. Thursday, July 15, at the park, 5200 E. M-59, White Lake Township. Free, motor vehicle permit required. Children must be accompanied by an adult. (248) 685-2187

SUN, SAND & PARTY
Volleyball, basketball, soccer, hockey and flag football tournaments, family entertainment, live music, (7 p.m.), fireworks at dusk, Saturday, July 17, at the Oakland Yard, 5328 Highland Road, Waterford. Evening cover \$5, \$2 children under age 12. (248) 673-0100

MARC THOMAS
Ventriloquist and magician performs 1:30 p.m. Thursday, July 15, Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer St., Plymouth. \$4, \$3 children. City residents receive \$1 off. (734) 455-6620

TROY FAMILY FESTIVAL
Featuring Marc Thomas, Harpbeat, moon walk, The Spoon Man, The Amazing Zeemo, face painting, jugglers, hands-on children's crafts, food and puppet show, 5:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 14, Boulon Park on Crooks Road north of Big Beaver Road, Troy. Free. (248) 524-3484

ZEEMO
The "Yo-Yo Man" performs 1:30 p.m. Thursday, July 22, Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer St., Plymouth. \$4, \$3 children. City residents receive \$1 off. (734) 455-6620

FREE SUMMER CONCERTS

CLOCK CONCERTS
Lonesome and Blue, 7:30 Friday, July 16, at the bandshell, Northville. (248) 349-7640

CONCERTS IN THE PARK
Bill Heid Trio, 6 p.m. Wednesday, at the Detroit Zoo, northwest corner of Woodward and 10 Mile, Royal Oak. Free with zoo admission. (248) 398-0903 (jazz)

CONCERTS ON THE LAWN
Benny Cruz, Y La Beuna Vida (Latin music), 7 p.m. Sunday, July 18, on the lawn of the Southfield Municipal Complex, 26000 Evergreen at Civic

Center Drive. (248) 424-9022

GAZEBO CONCERTS
Kapp Ivory Band, 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 21, at Burgh Historical Park, Civic Center Drive and Berg Road, east of Telegraph. Southfield. (248) 424-9022 (Big Band to Motown)

"IN THE PARK"
Birmingham Songwriter Showcase, Bobby Lewis & The Crackerjack Band, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 15, Shain Park, Birmingham.

MOTOR TOWN MUSIC FESTIVAL
Noon to 9 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, July 24-25, features Thornetta-Davis among others, at Dearborn City Hall Park, Michigan Ave. at Schaefer.

"MUSIC IN THE PARK"
Noon Wednesday, July 21, Julie Austin, in Kelllogg Park, Main Street, between Pennington and Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. In case of rain, concert will be held in The Gathering next to the Penn Theater. (734) 416-4ART

"MUSIC UNDER THE STARS"
Peterson Country Music featuring dancers, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 15; Ernest Matchulet—Next Generation Band (favorites) 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 22, at Greenmead Historical Village, Newburgh, south of Eight Mile, Livonia. (734) 466-2540

NOVI CONCERT BAND
7 p.m. Friday, July 23, at McHatti Park, South Lyon.

"SUMMER IN THE CITY"
Kevin Devine brings his music for children and families all the way from Boston, 6:30 p.m. Friday, July 16, Birmingham City Hall, Pierce and Martin, west of S. Old Woodward. www.imaginationtheatre.com

WESTLAND CULTURAL SOCIETY
Starfire with vocalist Sheila Taylor, 6:30 p.m. Sunday, July 18, at the Stottlemeyer Park, Dancy Blvd., Westland Free. In case of rain, concert will be held inside Bailey Recreation Center. (734) 722-7620/(734) 522-3918

CLASSICAL

"AN EVENING OF ROBERT SCHUMANN"
Featuring pianists Michele Cooker and Arthur Greene, lyric soprano

Elizabeth Parcells, violinist Megan Reiter and commentary by Susan Nisbett, 8 p.m. Saturday, July 17, at the Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor. \$25-\$15. \$10. (734) 769-2999 or kch@ic.net

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
"Pictures at an Exhibition," 8 p.m. Friday, July 16, with conductor Neeme Jarvi and violinist Chuan Yun Li. "Sensational Saturday Classics" with conductor Neeme Jarvi and pianist Per Tengstrand, 8 p.m. Saturday, July 17; "Gershwin Gala" with conductor Neeme Jarvi and Bräzeal Dennard Chorale, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, July 18; "Handel and Vivaldi" with conductor Jaime Laredo, 8 p.m. Friday, July 23, all at Meadow Brook Music Festival, Oakland University, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. \$13-\$50. (313) 576-5111 or <http://www.detroitssymphony.com>

HELENE ROTTENBERG/JOANNE RICKARDS
The guitarist and organist perform classical music 12:15 p.m. Thursday, July 15, at Christ Church-Detroit, 960 East Jefferson, Detroit. Free will offering, nominal charge for light lunch following concert. (313) 259-6688

POPS/SWING

STARLIGHT DRIFTERS
9 p.m. Thursday, July 15, Karl's Cabin, 9779 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth. Free. 21 and older. (734) 455-8450 (Western swing)

AUDITIONS/OPPORTUNITIES

AVON PLAYERS
Open auditions for "The Music Man," 4 p.m. Sunday, July 18 and 7 p.m. Monday, July 19, at the Avon Playhouse, 1185 Tienken Road, east of Rochester Road, Rochester Hills. For performances Sept. 10-12, 17-19, 24-26, and Sept. 30-Oct. 2. (248) 853-4046

EISENHOWER DANCE ENSEMBLE
Auditions for the new pre-professional dance company, 1 p.m. Sunday, July 18, at the EDE Center for Dance, 1541 Hamlin Road, between Crooks and Livernois, Rochester Hills. (248) 852-5850; also summer dance day camp for boys and girls who have completed grades 1-6, July 19-30 and Aug. 2-13.

MICHIGAN DANCE EXPRESS
Hosts its Summer Dance Camp July 25-29 at Camp Copneconic in Fenton for ages eight and older, camp combines four hours of daily dance training with traditional summer camp activities such as swimming and boating, styles include ballet, tap, jazz, and lyrical along with classes in modeling, production and swing. (734) 397-9755/(813) 562-1203

SPIRIT OF DETROIT CHORUS
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SUMMER DRAMA CAMPS
Ages 5 and up join the Whistle Stop Players for sessions 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday-Friday, Aug. 9-13, at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon, at Junction. \$100, \$75 PCAC members. (734) 416-4ART

SUMMER INSTITUTE FOR PERFORMERS
Theater camp for teenagers July 19-23 (\$100), at the Walk & Squawk Performance Project, 122 East Mosley, Ann Arbor. (734) 668-0407

JAZZ

TASILIMAH BEY
8:30 p.m. to midnight, Saturdays, at Fishbone's Rhythm Kitchen Cafe, 29244 Northwestern Hwy., north of 12 Mile, Southfield. (248) 351-2925 (ragtime piano)

BIRMINGHAM JAZZ FEST
Alexander Zonjic and Friends, Marcus Belgrave and the Detroit Jazz All Stars, Tim Weisberg, Chautauqua Express for KIDS, Kimmie Horn, Randy Scott, Pamela Wise and the Afro Cuban All Stars, Ken Navarro, Jeff Lorber, Thursday-Saturday, July 22-24, a trolley will make rounds to restaurants on Friday & Saturday. (248) 433-FEST

SANDRA BOMAR QUARTET
8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, July 16, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150 (vocal/piano/bass/drums)

RON BROOKS TRIO
9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 16-17, at the Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. \$5. (734) 662-8310

DAVE CARTHANE AND FRIENDS
9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 23-24, Dick O'Dow's, 160 W. Maple Road, Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 642-1135

WILL DOWNING
With Oleta Adams and Pieces of a

Dream, 8 p.m. Friday, July 23, Chene Park, Detroit. \$35 and \$35. All ages. (313) 983-6611

RICHARD ELLIOT
With Brian Culbertson, 8 p.m. Friday, July 23, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak. \$32.50. 21 and older. (248) 645-6666

FUNKTELLIGENCE
With Heavy Weather, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, July 22, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$6. 19 and older. (734) 996-8555 or <http://www.blindpigmusic.com> (avant jazz/funk)

GEM JAZZ TRIO
6 p.m. Thursday, July 15, at the Gem & Century Theatres, 333 Madison Ave., Detroit. Free. (313) 963-9800

HEIDI HEPLER AND MICHELE RAMO
With Todd Curtis, 7-11 p.m. Thursdays-Fridays, Too Chez, 27155 Sheraton Dr., Novi. Free. All ages. (248) 348-5555; 8 p.m. to midnight Saturdays, Northern Lakes Seafood Company's Tavern Bar, 475 N. Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (248) 646-7900 (Brazilian jazz/American standards)

JAZZHEAD
9 p.m. Saturday, July 17, Fifth Avenue Ballroom, 25750 Novi Road, Novi. Free. 21 and older. (248) 735-4011

"JAZZSTAGE" SERIES
Presented by the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Wendell Harrison Quintet, 8:30 p.m. Friday, July 16, and Teddy Harris Jr. Quintet, 8:30 p.m. Friday, July 30, Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$10 advance, \$15. (313) 576-5111

KATHY KOSINS TRIO
9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, July 17, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150 (vocal/piano/bass)

SHEILA LANDIS
With Wendell Harrison, Gary Schunk and Ralph Armstrong, 8:30-11:30 p.m. Friday, July 16, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 833-3700

MACK JAZZ TRIO
9 p.m. Tuesday, July 20, and Thursday, July 22, Dick O'Dow's, 160 W. Maple Road, Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 642-1135

MATT MICHAELS TRIO
With Jack Brokensha (vibes), 8-11:30 p.m. Thursdays, July 15 and 22, at the Botsford Inn, 28000 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. \$5 cover waived with dinner, and \$5 drink minimum. (248) 474-4800

MICHIGAN JAZZ FESTIVAL
Tom Saunders & The Detroit All Stars, Scool Jazz/Prime, Alma Smith, Steve Wood, George Benson, Janet Tenaj, Matt Michaels/Jack Brokensha, Barbara Ware, Dennis & April Tini, Naima Shamborguer, Louis Smith, Paul Vornhagen, Pistol Allen, Larry Nozero, Ron Kischuk and the Tartar Sauce Jazz Band, Jim Stefanov's Oldest Living Saxophone Octet, Bess Bonier, Sheila Landis, New Generation, Ed Nuccilli & The Plural Circle, Brookside Jazz Ensemble, Jim Wyse and Johnny Trudell's Big Band, noon to 10:30 p.m. Sunday, July 18, at Schoolcraft College, on Haggerty Road, between Six and Seven Mile roads, Livonia. Free. (248) 474-2720/(734) 459-2454

GARY SCHUNK TRIO
8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, July 15, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150 (piano/bass/drums)

JANET TENAJ TRIO
Featuring Sven Anderson, piano and Kurt Kranke, bass, 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sundays, at Fishbone's Restaurant, 29244 Northwestern Hwy., Southfield. (248) 351-2925

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8 p.m. Fridays Saturdays, at Big Fish, 700 Town Center Dr., Dearborn. (313) 336-6350

URSULA WALKER AND BUDDY BUDSON
With Dan Kolton, 9 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Thursdays at Forte, 201 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 594-7300

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6:30-10:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Big Rock Chop and Brew House's stone terrace, 245 E. Eton, Birmingham. Free. All ages. (248) 647-7774

PAMELA WISE AND THE AFRO-CUBAN ALL STARS
8:30 p.m. to midnight, Fridays, at Fishbone's Rhythm Kitchen Cafe, 29244 Northwestern Hwy., north of 12 Mile, Southfield. (248) 351-2925

WORLD MUSIC

IMMUNITY
10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Fridays, July 16 and 23, The Deck at Second City, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cover charge, 21 and older. (313) 965-2222 (reggae)

HUGH MASEKELA
Headlines "Concert of Colors" at Metro Detroit's annual Diversity Festival, 2-9 p.m. Sunday, July 11, also Ricardo Lervio & Makina Loca, Laura Vinson & Free Spirit, Emil Zrihan, and George Gao and the Silk Ensemble, at Chene Park, Detroit. Free, but passes required. (313) 664-2015 or www.newdetroit.org

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RIGHTY DIAMONDS

9 p.m. Saturday, July 17, Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 18 and older. (313) 833-9700 (reggae)

NEW ORLEANS KLEZMER ALLSTARS

8 p.m. Thursday, July 22, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. Cover charge. 18 and older. (248) 544-3030 or http://www.themagicbag.com

ODD ENOUGH

9 p.m. Saturday, July 17, Dick O'Dow's, 160 W. Maple Road, Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 642-1135 (Irish)

OURSELVES

4 p.m. Sunday, July 18, Cohn Amphitheatre, adjacent to the Lewis E. Wint Nature Center at Independence Oaks County Park on Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$2.50. (248) 625-6473/(248) 858-1684 (TTY) or http://www.co.oakland.mi.us (Celtic)

JIM PERKINS

9 p.m. Thursday, July 15, Dick O'Dow's, 160 W. Maple Road, Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 642-1135 (Irish)

PLANETA DE CRYSTAL

11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Thursday, July 22, The Plaza, one block west of the Southfield Civic Center, Southfield. Free. All ages. (248) 354-9540 (Latin)

FOLK/BLUEGRASS

R.G. DEMPSTER AND FRIENDS

8-11 p.m. Saturday, July 19, Coffee Beanery, 152 N. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. All ages. (248) 646-6022

LONESOME AND BLUE

7 p.m. Wednesday, July 21, as part of Troy Parks and Recreation Department's Summer Concerts at the Troy Civic Center, 500 W. Big Beaver Road, Troy. Free. All ages. (248) 524-3484 (bluegrass)

POETRY /SPOKEN WORD

LIBERTY R.O. DANIELS

With Marye Miller, 7:30-10 p.m. Thursday, July 22, as part of the Plymouth Poets' seventh annual Summer Celebration of Poetry at Coffee Bean Company, 844 Penniman, at Harvey Street, Plymouth. (734) 459-7319

"POET IN RESIDENCE"

Rod Rheinart, 7:30 p.m. Thursdays, July 15, 22, 29, and Sunday, July 11 (Kellogg Park), at the Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main Street, Plymouth. (734) 453-0750 for specific events and programs.

SONYA POUNCEY

With Ann Holdrieth and Rod Rheinart, 7:30-10 p.m. Thursday, July 15, as part of the Plymouth Poets' seventh annual Summer Celebration of Poetry at Coffee Bean Company, 844 Penniman, at Harvey Street, Plymouth. (734) 459-7319

DANCE

MOON DUSTERS SINGLES DANCE

8:30 p.m. Saturdays, at the Livonia Civic Center, 15218 Farmington Road, Livonia. \$4 member, \$5 guest. (734) 422-3298

PICNIC SOCIAL DANCE

3-7 p.m. Sunday, July 18, music by Walt Lipiec, at the American Polish Cultural Center, 1975 E. Maple, at Dequindre, Troy. \$5. (248) 689-3636

COMEDY

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB

Jeff Brannan, Mike Allen and Rob Little, Thursday Saturday, July 15-17 (\$10); Keith Ruff and Vince Vicelli, Thursday Saturday, July 22-24 (\$10), at the club above Kicker's All American Grill, 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia. 8 p.m. Wednesdays-Thursdays, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Third Level Improv and new talent nights, 8 p.m. Sundays (\$5) (734) 261-0555

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at the club, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Mainstage comedy acts. \$10 Wednesdays, Thursdays, Sundays.

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Tours 1:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. Sundays through Sept. 26 (\$10); Thursdays to Sept. 30 a noon lunch is offered only with a house tour and only by reservation for an additional \$10; gardens open through Aug. 31 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday (\$5), at Cranbrook, 380 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 645-3147

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DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM

"Frontiers to Factories: Detroiters at Work 1701-1901," formerly known as "Furs to Factories," with a new Land Office, a "Wheel of Fortune" style land acquisition interactive, three new video screen interactives, a documentary video, a new Heavy Industry section and a display explaining Detroit's move from "Stove Capital of the World" to the Motor City, automobile capital of the world; "Remembering Downtown Hudson's" exhibit, at the museum, 5401 Woodward Ave. (at Kirby), Detroit. Museum hours are 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday. Free admission Wednesday-Sundays. (313) 833-1805 or http://www.detroithistorical.org

DETROIT SCIENCE CENTER

"More than Meets the Eye," an interactive exhibit from the Smithsonian Institution takes visitors through some of the daily experiences of blind and visually impaired people, continues through Aug. 29. (313) 577-8400, ext. 417; IMAX movies include "Tropical Rainforest" at 10 a.m. Mondays-Fridays, "Thrill Ride" at 1 p.m. Mondays-Fridays, and "Everest" multiple showings seven days a week. "Whales" opens June 19, at the center, noon, 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays and 7 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Sundays, at 5020 John R. (at Warren), Detroit. Admission to Exhibit Hall is \$3 for adults, \$2 for children ages 3-15 and adults ages 60 and older, free for children ages 2 and younger. IMAX films are additional \$4. (313) 577-8400

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Estate tours include the restored riverside powerhouse, Henry Ford's personal garage and cars, giant generators placed by Ford and Thomas Edison that still operate, and the tunnel to the 56-room mansion with elaborate carved woodwork and personal artifacts, at 4901 Evergreen Road, Dearborn. (313) 593-5590

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"Summer Evenings" continue Saturdays through Aug. (at reduced prices), features cake walk, town ball, herb/food presentation, ice cream social (additional fee), and concerts 8 p.m. Wednesdays, July 21-28, the village is celebrating its 70th season with a host of activities, and exhibits such as Abraham Lincoln's assassination chair and a life mask made 60 days before his assassination, at the museum, 20900 Oakwood Blvd., Dearborn. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, \$12.50, \$11.50 seniors, \$7.50 kids 5-12, members and children under 5 free. (313) 271-1620

MEADOW BROOK HALL

Tours 10:30 a.m., noon, 1:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. daily (through August) on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester. \$8, \$6 seniors age 62 and over, \$4 children ages 5-12. Luncheon in the Dining Room 11:15 a.m., noon and 1 p.m. Monday-Friday. (248) 370-3140

ROCHESTER HILLS MUSEUM

"Something Old, Something New: Wedding Gowns of the 19th and 20th Centuries," on display 1-4 p.m. Wednesdays-Saturdays through Sept. 25, at the museum on Van Hoosen Farm, 1005 Van Hoosen Road, one mile east of Rochester Road off of Trienken Road, Rochester Hills. \$3, \$2 seniors and students. (248) 656-4663

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ATARI TEENAGE RIOT

9 p.m. Wednesday, July 21, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$12 in advance. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com (underground)

JOHNNY BASSETT

6 p.m. Friday, July 16 and 7 p.m. Saturday, July 17, at the Gem & Century Theatres, 333 Madison Ave., Detroit. Free. (313) 963-9800

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http://www.freeyellow.com/members2/bluebite/page1.html (blues)

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BY JON KATZ
SPECIAL WRITER

Memo to Hollywood: Thanks, you can stop now.

After "The Avengers," "The Mod Squad," "My Favorite Martian" and too many other disappointing attempts to resurrect Baby Boomer TV on the big screen, they've finally made one that does what it should do. "Wild Wild West" pays respectful homage to the original series while using the expanded format to its fullest.

"The Wild Wild West," was a hit on CBS from 1965-1969. Its Jules Verne-ish look at post-

Civil War America gave us Robert Conrad as dashing Secret Service Agent James West and the late Ross Martin as his partner and master of disguise, Artemus Gordon. Their weekly exploits included diabolical villains, Conrad's bare-chested brawls and life-saving gadgets from some 19th century Sharper Image.

In this \$100 million version, Will Smith ("Men in Black") is West and Kevin Kline ("In & Out") is Gordon. They are "The Odd Couple on the Lone Prairie."

As a departure from the TV show, West and Gordon are not

partners when we meet them. In fact, Gordon's not even a man when we meet them (master of disguise, remember?) They are thrown together by President Grant to bring diabolical villain Dr. Arliss Loveless to justice. Loveless is Shakespearean actor Kenneth Branagh, who joins the ranks of Vivien Leigh, Peter Sellers and Kate Winslet as Britishers who play Americans better than Americans.

The plot is simple: wheelchair-bound Dr. Loveless has kidnapped our best scientists and will destroy the United States unless we give him...the United States. It seems he's a bit

peevish at losing "a lung, spleen, bladder, 35 feet of small intestine and the ability to reproduce, all in the name of the South." Actually, he plans to keep only the Rocky Mountain States for himself, returning the rest to their original owners ("Great Britain gets back all 13 colonies, except Manhattan.")

Will Smith parlays Conrad's West, Indiana Jones and a lot of Eddie Murphy into his swash-buckling special agent. And he gets to buckle a lot of swashes; there's a rather large body count in "Wild Wild West," but nothing to keep the older kids home over.

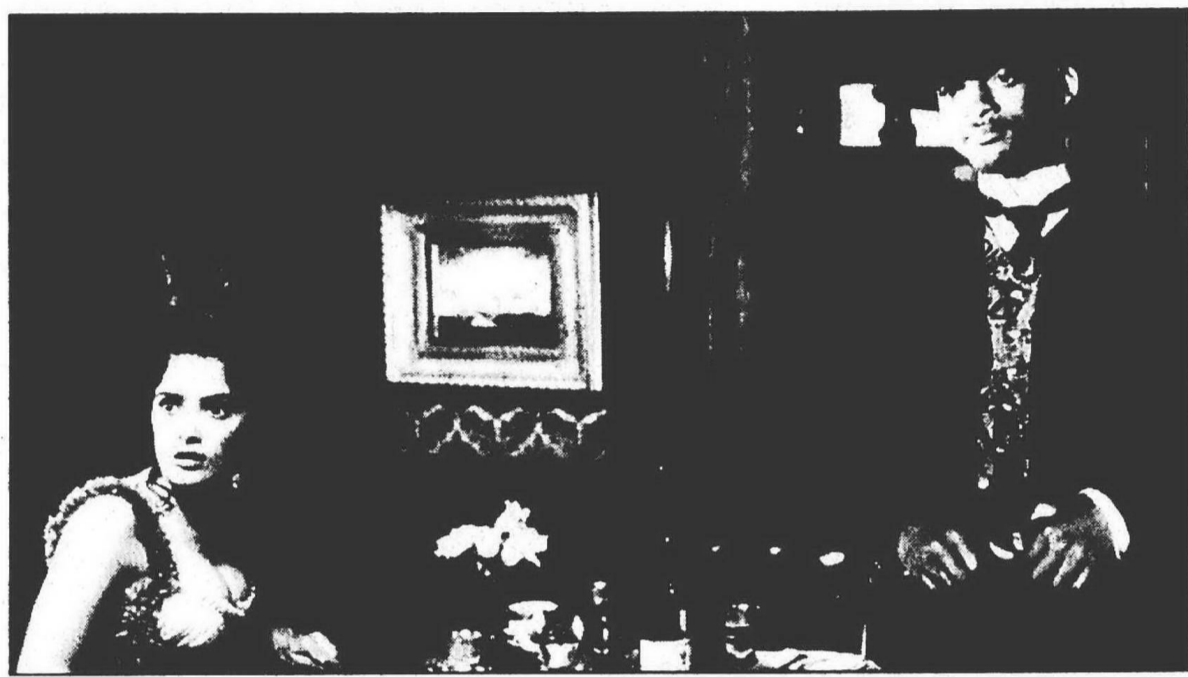
Smith breaks no new ground for himself as an actor. Instead, he uses his familiar charisma and humor to have a good time and give the viewer the same. He's a fine fit as the "dark stranger" whose theory is "shoot first, shoot second, shoot third and when everyone's dead, try to ask a question or two."

Kline seems less comfortable as Artie; maybe it's those buckwheat-filled breasts he sports in his first scene. Which brings us to Salma Hayek, who needs no such help at all from Wardrobe, thank you. Our lady-in-distress has little to do but breathe heavily and remember which

West-admiring lines go when ("He's impetuous... he's so courageous... he's so graceful.")

The film's biggest stars are "The Wanderer," a high-tech train with trap doors, sliding mirrors and such; and Loveless' ultimate weapon, an 80-foot-tall, eight-legged erector set called Tarantula.

The signature sepia-tone opening, theme music and tongue-in-cheek all have been retained from the TV show. Under Barry Sonnenfeld's caring and inventive direction, "Wild Wild West" offers a lot of cool summer fun.



Adventure: Rita Escobar (Salma Hayek) and James West (Will Smith) star in "Wild Wild West," a fast-paced adventure sparkling with comedy, action and fantasy.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Scheduled to open Friday, July 16

"EYES WIDE SHUT"

Story of jealousy and sexual obsession. Stars Tom Cruise, Nicole Kidman.

"LAKE PLACID"

A scientist, a game warden, a sheriff and an eccentric mythology professor converge near a remote lake in Maine to investigate a gruesome fatality. Their adventure, laced with humor and terror, leads to a shocking secret beneath the anything but placid waters. Stars Bridget Fonda, Bill Pullman, Oliver Platt.

"THE BLAIR WITCH PROJECT"

Horror film about three college students, who in 1994 hired into Maryland's Black Hills Forest to shoot a documentary about a local legend, and were never heard from again. Stars Heather Donahue, Joshua Leonard.

"THE WOOD"

Comedy of three childhood friends reminiscing about years gone by the even of their friend's wedding. Stars Omar Epps, Taye Diggs, Richard T. Jones.

Scheduled to open Friday, July 23

"DROP DEAD GORGEOUS"

Comedy about a small town's obsession with its teenage beauty contest. Stars Kirstie Alley, Ellen Barkin, Kirsten Dunst.

"TWICE UPON A YESTERDAY"

Exclusively at the Landmark Maple Theatre. A forlorn lover in London gets the chance of a lifetime to turn back

the clock and relive a relationship that went wrong with a previous girlfriend.

Stars Douglas Henshall, Lena Headey, Mark Strong, Charlotte Coleman, Penelope Cruz.

Scheduled to open Friday, July 30

"DEEP BLUE SEA"

Group of researchers working on a cure for cancer using materials from genetically enhanced sharks becomes stranded on a damaged and sinking marine research facility. There, they are menaced by the sharks they have created, which now surround them with deadly intent. Stars Samuel L. Jackson.

Schedule to open Friday, Aug. 6

"FIGHT CLUB"

Tale of a man who sets up a fight in which young men are paired off in bloody, no-holds barred bouts that continue until one drops. Stars Brad Pitt.

"THE IRON GATE"

A giant metal machine falls to Earth in 1958 and frightens the residents of a small town in Maine, until it befriends a 9-year-old boy named Hogarth. Animated feature.

"WHITE BOYS"

A funny, honest and searing look at white wannabe gangstas in the heartland, and at America's youth struggling to find their place in a multi-cultural society. Stars Danny Hoch who also wrote the screenplay with director Marc Levin, Richard Stratton and Garth Belcon.

Scheduled to open Wednesday, Aug. 11

"IN TOO DEEP"

A police detective goes deep undercover to get a notorious gangster. But in his quest, he risks losing himself. Stars Omar Epps.

"NEXT TO YOU"

A teenage girl and boy who have grown up next door to one another have never made a love connection. But when long time friends and neighbors gather for their high school's centennial celebration, they realize they were meant for each other all along. Stars Melissa Joan Hurt and Stephen Collins.

Scheduled to open Friday, Aug. 13

"BROKEDOWN PALACE"

Two high school girls set off on a dream trip to Thailand following their graduation. The dream turns to a nightmare when they are accused of drug trafficking and sentenced to 33 years in a Thai prison until an expatriate American lawyer comes to their aid. Stars Claire Daines.

Scheduled to open Friday, Aug. 20

"MICKY BLUE EYES"

Romantic comedy about an English art dealer in New York who falls in love with the daughter of a Mafia boss. To win her hand, he embarks on a mission to thwart the Mob, but quickly finds himself laundering money and masquerading as the notorious mobster "Mickey Blue Eyes." Stars Hugh Grant, James Caan.



Drama: Brad Pitt (left) and Edward Norton in a scene from "Fight Club" scheduled to open Friday, Aug. 6 at metro Detroit movie theaters.

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Teen releases her debut album 'From In The Shadows'

BACKSTAGE PASS



ANN DELISI

We've all had the experience of having a song occupy our brain for a day.

Nothing seems to dislodge it, which is great when the tune reminds us of a wonderful time in our lives.

But, to be honest, it happens all too often to me with a song or a commercial jingle I don't particularly care for. You can lose a lot of friends in a hurry in you walk around singing, let's say, the slogan for a furniture store.

You'll thank me later for this suggestion. When an annoying tune has a stranglehold on your brainwaves, trip it up by trying to write your own.

It's okay if the exercise has more to do with saving your sanity than the craft of songwriting. If you think you might need some help getting started, here's some outstanding advice from a surprising source.

■ Shelby Starner was just 11 years old when she took a passion for writing poetry and combined elements of Broadway musicals she loved with some rock standards.

Advice

"Sometimes it's about nothing more than what I wish I'd said in a certain situation. Other times it's to encourage myself to take a stand. And sometimes it's about giving the people who are close to me a clue about how I'm feeling."

These motivations for writing a song did not come from Bob Dylan or Paul Simon or any of the great lyricists and composers of this century, but from someone who offers promise for the next one.

Shelby Starner was just 11 years old when she took a passion for writing poetry and combined elements of Broadway musicals she loved with some rock standards. She began mix-

ing in influences such as Rickie Lee Jones. For nearly two years, it remained a private creative outlet, as she declined to play her music for anyone.

Her dad became increasingly aware that Shelby had a special talent, and arranged for her to spend three hours at a friend's basement studio. Soon, some follow-up sessions led to a demo tape which landed a major label recording contract. Now, at 15, Shelby has released her debut album, "From In The Shadows."

What impresses me most about Shelby, a Pennsylvania native who is in town for a performance which airs July 15 and 16 on Detroit Public TV's BACKSTAGE PASS, is that she made some great things happen

by cultivating a need to express herself.

Although it's unusual to accomplish so much at such a young age, there have always been teen recording artists that appeal to a young audience.

Putting pieces together

Often, these child performers demonstrate a gift for showmanship that is channeled and packaged in the music industry. Shelby Starner undoubtedly had assistance from many sources in putting the pieces together, but there is no doubt that the album has her own stamp on it, resulting in large part from her pre-teen, solitary creative process.

If she can do it, why can't we? At the moment, I'm blending a Looney Toon with excerpts from the Gettysburg Address, and by the time I add some emotion and vision, I just may have something. Admittedly, I'm very early in the process, but I plan to enjoy every stage of it. Who knows?

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Patrons 'Shiver' with delight at this cute cafe

BY MARY QUINLEY
SPECIAL WRITER

It's hot, humid and hazy outside. But, not to worry.

Wander into Shivers Cafe for a refreshing retrieve from the sizzling summer. You'll discover tasty treats, light lunches and delightful desserts.

On weekday mornings, customers congregate in the casual cafe to sip some flavored coffee, a cappuccino, an espresso or herbal tea. Bagels, muffins and pastries are served not only at breakfast, but throughout the day.

Muffin-lovers might find a cranberry-nut, an apple-walnut or a low-fat strawberry variety on the menu.

"We always have blueberry muffins," said Rose Forystek, co-owner. "And, we always make a low-fat muffin for the health-conscious customer, and, a no-sugar-added muffin for diabetics."

Patrons who crave homemade sandwiches, soups or salads, can order a ham, turkey, tuna or egg salad on a plain or flavored bagel. Pasta specials, quiche with a salad, croissants filled with ham and cheese or spinach feta are options for early or late afternoon meals.

"Sometimes I make a chicken pasta with light Parmesan cream sauce, carrots and broccoli," said Forystek. "I have customers who come in and order double portions of salads and two-to-three quarts of soup to go. These are the people who don't want to cook!"

"I've had the chicken noodle soup several times," said Mickey

Shivers Cafe

Where: 34365 Plymouth Road, Livonia, (in the Stark Plaza, on the southeast corner of Stark and Plymouth roads), (734) 421-6090

Hours: Open year 'round. Summer hours are 7 a.m. to 9:30 p.m., Monday - Thursday; 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday; 1-10 p.m. Saturday; 1-9:30 p.m. Sunday

Menu: Bagel sandwiches, homemade soups, salads, quiche and desserts (brownies, cookies, pies, cakes), ice cream, frozen yogurt and a selection of coffees, teas and juices

Cost: Inexpensive. Pasta specials (with roll and butter), and croissants are less than \$5; muffins 99 cents; soup prices range from \$1.60 to \$2.50; and ice cream treats vary in price.

Non-smoking: The entire restaurant is smoke-free

Credit cards: Not accepted

Carry-out: Yes, everything is available to go

Special parties: You can reserve the restaurant for celebrations, scout functions, etc.

O'Connell of Westland, who is a frequent customer. "I liked it so much that I bought some to take home. It's very tasty."

For dessert, O'Connell "had a slice of banana-nut bread with cream-cheese frosting. It was wonderful!"

For a list of "today's" specials, check out the chalkboard or call the eatery. In addition to a daily pasta special, soup choices rotate — navy bean, cream of asparagus, potato leek, clam chowder and split pea are options.

"My mom, Rosa Wyer, makes all the soups from scratch," says Forystek. "Mom is my best employee. She helps me out and does a little of everything, especially guidance."

Special orders are welcome at Shivers.

"If a customer wants chocolate-covered strawberries for his wife or girlfriend, I'll put the

strawberries in a box, tie a ribbon around the outside, and attach heart stickers," said Forystek.

"My mother has always been one for presentation," she said. "She taught me. It looks so much prettier. I always do ribbons, bows, doilies and stickers."

Board games, like checkers and Chinese checkers, add to the family-friendly charm of Shivers.

"My dad (Tony) taught me to play checkers," said customer Mary Latarski of Livonia. Recently, 12-year-old Mary, and her mom, Pat, played checkers while they enjoyed ice cream treats.

Mary's choice was cookie dough in-a-cup and Pat picked mint chocolate chip on a sugar cone.

Like toppings on your frozen yogurt or ice cream?

"We have at least 30 different



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Family-friendly: Rosa Wyer (left), Rose Forystek and Sara Forystek at Shivers Cafe. Rosa makes all the soups from scratch at this friendly neighborhood cafe.

toppings," said Forystek.

Requests for Majestic Milky Way Bars ice cream are popular. "I have customers who are really addicted to this premium ice cream," she said.

If you're contemplating a birthday celebration or in the mood to "get the gang together," Shivers provides "made-to-order"

parties.

The "Ice Cream Breakfast" is one option. "We play games like pin-the-ice-cream-on-the-cone and eat pancakes topped with strawberry ice cream," said Forystek.

If you're looking for something a little more subdued, Shivers will host your afternoon tea

party, complete with finger sandwiches, muffins and pastries, served on pretty doilies.

"I have made so many friends here," said Forystek. And the reverse is true, say the "regulars." Patrons like the sense of family at the cafe. We're hoping Shivers plans to stay in the neighborhood.

EATING OUT IN THE SUBURBS

Here are some restaurants we've recently featured on the Dining Page.

■ **Buca di Beppo** — 38888 Six Mile Road, (between Haggerty and I-275), (734) 4-MANGIA, 462-6442

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Menu: Classic southern Italian dishes are featured which

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Non-smoking area: Entire restaurant is non-smoking, except for the bar area

Cost: All courses are served family style. Salads (a small

Caesar serves four) cost \$6.50 to \$13.95; pizzas range in price from \$9.95 to \$17.95; pasta

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Carry out: Available.

■ **La Shish** — 1699 Canton Center Road at Ford Road, Canton, (734) 983-9000.

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